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**CHUNG YI MIAO FOUND GUILTY  
DEATH SENTENCE PASSED  
AT CARLISLE ASSIZES.**

**DRAMATIC INCIDENTS IN CHINESE  
HONEYMOON MURDER.**

**AN ADVERSE SUMMING-UP.**

[SPECIAL TO "TELEGRAPH"]

Found guilty of the murder of his wife, a cultured Chinese girl well-known in Hongkong, whom he had wedded in New York only a month prior to the terrible crime, Dr. Chung Yi Miao was sentenced to death at Carlisle Assizes yesterday.

A striking well-groomed figure in the dock, Miao, who holds a degree as Doctor of Law in a Chicago University, protested his innocence to the last, but the Judge, who had summitted very strongly against the accused, interrupted his protests, remarking: "I believe the verdict to be a true one."

The grim tragedy enacted on the lonely path in the Cumberland wilds, near which the victim's body was found, has excited considerable interest in Hongkong, an interest enhanced by the poignant fact that Mrs. Wai Sheung-siu Miao was on her honeymoon when done to death.

Three cords were knotted tightly about the neck of the dead girl and her clothing had been disarranged deliberately to give an impression that an assault had been attempted. The Judge described the crime as a foul murder committed by a person of remarkable mentality.

The only motive which the Crown could impute against the accused was a desire to secure possession of his wife's money and jewellery, but strong circumstantial evidence pointing to his guilt, was adduced. Miao went for a walk with his bride, and returned alone. At eleven o'clock on the evening of the murder, when visited by the police he was found in bed in pyjamas. Jewellery worn on the fatal day by the dead woman was found in his possession, curiously concealed.

The defence suggested that Mrs. Miao was attacked and murdered by a robber, a powerful plea for acquittal being made by the defending counsel, who urged that there was nothing in the case against accused other than suspicion and surmise.

**INNOCENCE PROTESTED TO LAST.**

London, Oct. 24. The Judge then pronounced the Court at Carlisle when the defendant was disappeared into the cells below the dock. Judge began his address to the jury again cried out, "I am not guilty."

At the outset, His Lordship characterized the crime as a foul murder committed by a person, or by persons, of remarkable mentality.

There could be no doubt in the minds of the jury that a murder had been committed. He recounted the grim facts of the case, the discovery of the dead woman with three cords knotted round her throat, expensively dressed but stripped of all jewellery, with the exception of a platinum wrist watch.

**Pertinent Questions.**

The prisoner had said that a pearl necklace and a diamond ring were missing, but a necklace, valued at £400, and some rings, were found in a locked jewel case in the room occupied by the couple. The key was found in the folds of a dress shirt, in a bag containing the prisoner's belongings.

If the murderer was a robber, asked His Lordship, how came these articles of jewellery in Miao's room?

**Not a Robber's Crime.**

Medical evidence had been given that the woman died by pieces of string tied tightly round the neck. Could the jury imagine any possible set of circumstances in which a robber would or could have killed a woman in that way?

At the close of the Judge's summing-up, the jury retired, their deliberations lasting for nearly an hour and a half, after which a verdict of "Guilty" was returned.

The prisoner heard the verdict calmly, then, as he had done in previous stages of the case, loudly protested his innocence.

**Last Walk Together.**

Judge's Comment. They arrived in Glasgow on June 11th, and at Grange, near Keswick, the scene of the crime, they had no power to re-trial the case, on the 18th, appearing throughout nor has the jury, nor anyone else, to be on perfectly good terms. There is a court to which you may appeal if you think it. I believe day, Dr. Miao and his bride went out for a walk. They were seen

**RUSSIA'S BOND OBLIGATIONS.**

**TASK FOR EUROPEAN COMMITTEE.**

**FOUR NATIONS TO WORK HAND IN HAND.**

**NO POLITICAL AIM.**

London, Oct. 24. Importance is attached in financial circles to the formation of an International Committee, with Lord Revelstoke as Chairman, to protect the interests of Russian bondholders. There are represented on this body an imposing list of Associations covering the principal European countries.

It is announced that the Committee will concern itself exclusively with bonded debts constituting a direct obligation of the Russian Government, or of any Russian Municipality, or containing the guarantee of either of these authorities.

No Separate Settlement. The Associations represented on the Committee bind themselves not to conclude any separate settlement in respect of the said debts, either with the Russian State, nor to be a party to any arrangement unless the benefits of such arrangement are open to the shared on an equal footing by all nations of the countries represented on the Committee.

The Committee disclaims any political aims or motive of hostility towards Russia, its sole objects being to safeguard the interests of bondholders.

Influential Names.

The influential nature of the Committee is indicated by the names appearing on it. They include Mr. Lionel Rothschild and Lord Revelstoke, for Great Britain; representatives of the Societe-Générale Credit Lyonnais and the Comptoir National Descompte de Paris, for France; the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Dutch Stock Exchange, for Holland; and Mendelssohn, Bleichroeder and the Disconto Gesellschaft, for Germany.

Great Interest in Case.

A Reuter's message received this morning says that the case excited great interest throughout the Cumberland district, adding that Chung Yi Miao described himself as an American Doctor of Jurisprudence and as the son of a rich Chinese legislator.

One of the witnesses called was Miss Elsie Middleton Smith, the former Principal of St. Stephen's Girls' College in Hongkong, who described the murdered woman as the cultured daughter of a prosperous Chinese merchant.

The deceased woman had charge of her father's collection of porcelain at the Wembley Exhibition.

On Honeymoon.

Reuter recalls that the couple arrived at the Lake District on their honeymoon, having come from New York. On the following day, Mrs. Chung Yi Miao was found strangled near Keswick.

The full facts of the case have been given in the Telegraph in special reports received from time to time since the terrible tragedy was discovered.

The couple were married in New York in May, and went to England for their honeymoon. The bride was formerly Miss Sui Wei-sheung, twenty-nine years of age, the daughter of the Mr. Sui Ying-chaw, who had business connections in Hongkong and Macao and left a large fortune. Dr. Chun-yi Miao, now sentenced to death for the murder of his bride, was a year younger than his junior.

Diverting Suspicion.

The case for the prosecution was that the prisoner himself foully murdered his wife, and disarranged her clothing so that there might be the appearance of outrage and robbery. He took the jewellery to divert suspicion.

Another strange feature of the grim tragedy was the fact that when Inspector Graham visited the boarding-house prior to interrogating Dr. Miao, he found him in bed. The Inspector told him he would be detained on suspicion. Miao replied: "My wife dead-suspect. What do you mean by that?" On the following day, to the Superintendent, who interviewed him in the cell, Miao said: "It is terrible; my wife assaulted, robbed and murdered."

He emphatically denied the charge when formally charged with murder.

The trial at the Assizes lasted two days.

**NO EMPLOYMENT FOR COMMUNISTS.**

**IMPORTANT DECISION BY THE BRITISH GOVERNMENT.**

**WORKER'S DISMISSAL.**

(London, Oct. 24.) An important point regarding the ineligibility of Communists for service in the Government has been raised by the dismissal from Woolwich Arsenal of a mechanic.

The employee concerned is named Percy Gladling, and it is stated that he was dismissed because he was an avowed Communist.

The Communist Party has taken the matter up by issuing a manifesto denouncing what it terms the "victimisation."

The General Council of the Trades Union Congress has held a meeting to consider the matter, after which it was officially stated that it had been learned that the Government had decided not to employ Communists unless they renounced Communism.

This decision has been taken by the Government, it is stated, because it felt that the employment

**MOSCOW PAYING FOR AGITATION.**

\$450,000 Said to Have Been Sent to Shanghai.

**COMMUNIST ACTIVITIES.**

Shanghai, Oct. 25. It is stated in foreign circles here that evidence has been discovered in recent raids on Communist groups, that Chinese agitators have been receiving large sums of money from the Third Internationale for the maintenance of their mischievous activities.

Over \$450,000 has been paid in the past few weeks, according to reports, the money having reached Shanghai via Tokyo.—*Nam Chung Pao*.

of such men was incompatible with their loyalty to the State.

The Council of the T.U.C. has decided to make enquiries from the Government on the point raised.—*Reuter*.

**CHANG AND PEI REACH AGREEMENT.**

**RAILWAY REVENUES ARE TO BE SHARED.**

Shanghai, Oct. 24. In connexion with the negotiations between General Pei Chung-hai and General Chang Hsueh-liang, it is reported that both sides have agreed that in future revenues derived from the Peking-Mukden Railway shall be divided among the two leaders. On the line east of Luanchow, the Fengtien-lines will have the control, whilst west of Luanchow, the troops of General Pei Chung-hai will handle the revenue.

The young Manchurian leader also agrees to return to General Pei 240 passengers and goods coaches as well as 12 locomotives, the majority of which are far from being in a good condition. Of the locomotives, it is understood, only four are in running order, these being now at Luanchow.

**TWO SOUTH POLAR EXPEDITIONS.**

SIR GEORGE WILKINS SETS OUT ON WHALER.

Monte Video, Oct. 24.

Sir George Wilkins' South Polar Expedition sailed aboard the Norwegian whaler Hektoria to-day, en route to Deception Island, which will be the main base of the expedition.

Commander Byrd is also heading a South Polar Expedition, having left San Pedro, California, on the 11th instant for Dunedin, where he joins the three ships chartered for the adventure.

The two expeditions will not in any way compete, but may co-operate.—*Reuter*.

**CHINA-PORTUGAL TREATIES.**

**DISCUSSIONS MAY SET NEW PRECEDENT.**

**PORTUGUESE MINISTER SAYS GOOD PROGRESS MADE.**

**DIFFERENT TO OTHERS.**

Senhor Joao Bianchi, the Portuguese Minister to China, who returned from a diplomatic mission to Nanking last week, interviewed by a representative of the *Shanghai Times*, announced that his negotiations with the Nationalist Government regarding the revision of the Sino-Portuguese Treaty, which expired in March last, will create a precedent and only between China and the foreign Powers whose treaties have been denounced, but also with the Powers who have shown their willingness to negotiate.

Questioned regarding the progress he had made over the revision of the Sino-Portuguese Treaty, Senhor Bianchi replied that the progress made could not have been more satisfactory. The atmosphere in which it was evolved, he said, was also very friendly.

**Valuable Work.**

"It is my belief," Senhor Bianchi stated, "that very valuable constructive work towards the placing of the relations between the two countries on a treaty basis instead of the present unsettled stage, has been accomplished.

"I am very pleased," Senhor Bianchi said, "that the negotiations have been carried on entirely in a spirit of friendship and goodwill. I am gratified to note that the spirit of co-operation which has always been my policy, has been appreciated by the Chinese Government. As a matter of fact, having denounced their treaty with Portugal, it is up to the Nationalist Government to find a new basis that would suit their views and at the same time satisfy my Government."

**Attitude of Co-Operation.**

Continuing Senhor Bianchi said: "Fully realizing that the situation is entirely new for China and fraught with many difficulties, my attitude has been to co-operate, as far as possible, in order that all obstacles may be removed, at the same time safeguarding the interests of Portugal."

The Minister emphasized that his negotiations with Nanking comprise the drafting of a new treaty that may be called a model in the new departure of international relations with China.

"My idea," he said, "has been to help to draft a document that although possessing the generality of a preliminary treaty, suits the urgency of the moment, and may not have the staleness of a modus vivendi. If these generalities are to be worked into realities, provision should be made for their progressive development without having to wait for the labourious process of completing a complete treaty of commerce."

**Unlike Other Treaties.**

"If there is to be a remodelling of the relations, they should not be forced into a ready-made crucible but should be given stability by gradual casting. Under these circumstances, I am very well aware, that the Nationalist Government has to act very cautiously. Therefore, sufficient time has to be taken in considering every step."

Asked if the revision of the Sino-Portuguese Treaty will not be similar to the new treaties concluded between China and America and China and Germany, the Minister replied that his negotiations are entirely different from those of the Sino-American and Sino-German.

In the case of America, he said, though it meant a very important departure she knew exactly what she had to do, was to decide whether or not to accept it on the conditions proposed. In the case of Germany, the position of the relations with China had been entirely altered by the war and simplified by the abolition of her extraterritorial rights.

**FORCE NOW TOTALS NEARLY 140,000.**

London, Oct. 24. Official returns show that during the recruiting year ended September 30th last, 29,038 men were approved for service in the Territorial Army, being an increase of 6,466 on the total for the previous year.

The total Territorial strength, exclusive of Permanent Staff, on October 1st was 6,656 officers and 133,027 other ranks.

**BIG ENDOWMENT FOR INSTITUTE.**

SIR ABE BAILEY'S MUNIFICENT GIFT.

London, Oct. 24. The Secretary of International Affairs says that Sir Abe Bailey, the well-known racehorse owner and former South African magistrate, has endowed the Institute with £5,000 a year during his life-time, and has arranged the continuance of the endowment after his death.

**P. AND O. DIVIDEND.**

TWELVE PER CENT. FOR THE YEAR.

London, Oct. 24. The P. and O. Company recommends a final dividend of 7 per cent., making a total for the year of 12 per cent.—*Reuter*.

**DETECTIVE'S LONG QUEST.**

**SCOTLAND YARD MAN AND "EVEREADY."**

**UNUSUAL STORY BEHIND PROSECUTIONS.**

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A rather unusual story is behind the recent trade marks prosecutions. In Hongkong, a story connected with a long quest by a former Scotland Yard detective in the Far East, which carried him from Shanghai to Hongkong, to Singapore, back to Hongkong and then again to Shanghai, in search of the organizers of the gigantic scheme for bamboozling the public.

The detective is Mr. R. S. de L. Daniell, who gave evidence in the Hongkong cases, and who is now in Shanghai prosecuting several persons in connexion with infringements of the "Eveready" battery rights.

Seven men are charged in Shanghai, and the case contains those elements of romance appearing in the best selling detective novels and is uncovered as a result of relentless search on the part of Mr. Daniell who gave evidence that he is a former Scotland Yard detective and had been retained by the National Carbon Company, makers of the "Eveready" battery to track down the infringers on their patents.

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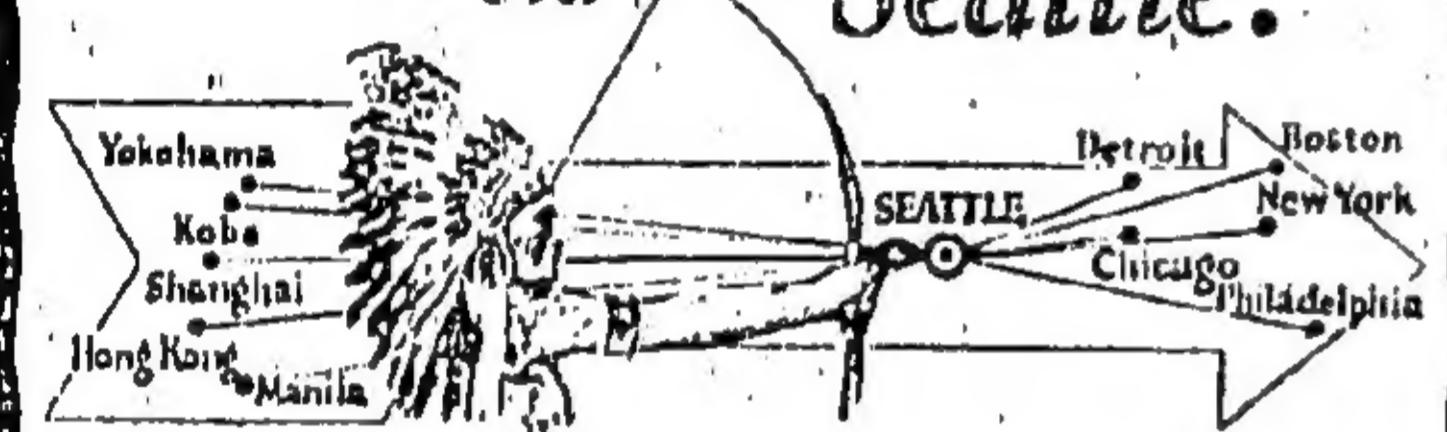
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1—The idea of letter golf is to change one word to another and do it in par, a given number of strokes. Thus to change COW to Men, in three strokes, COW, HOW HEW HEN.

2—You can change only one letter at time.

3—You must have a complete word, of common usage, for each jump. Slang words and abbreviations don't count.

4—The order of letters cannot be changed.

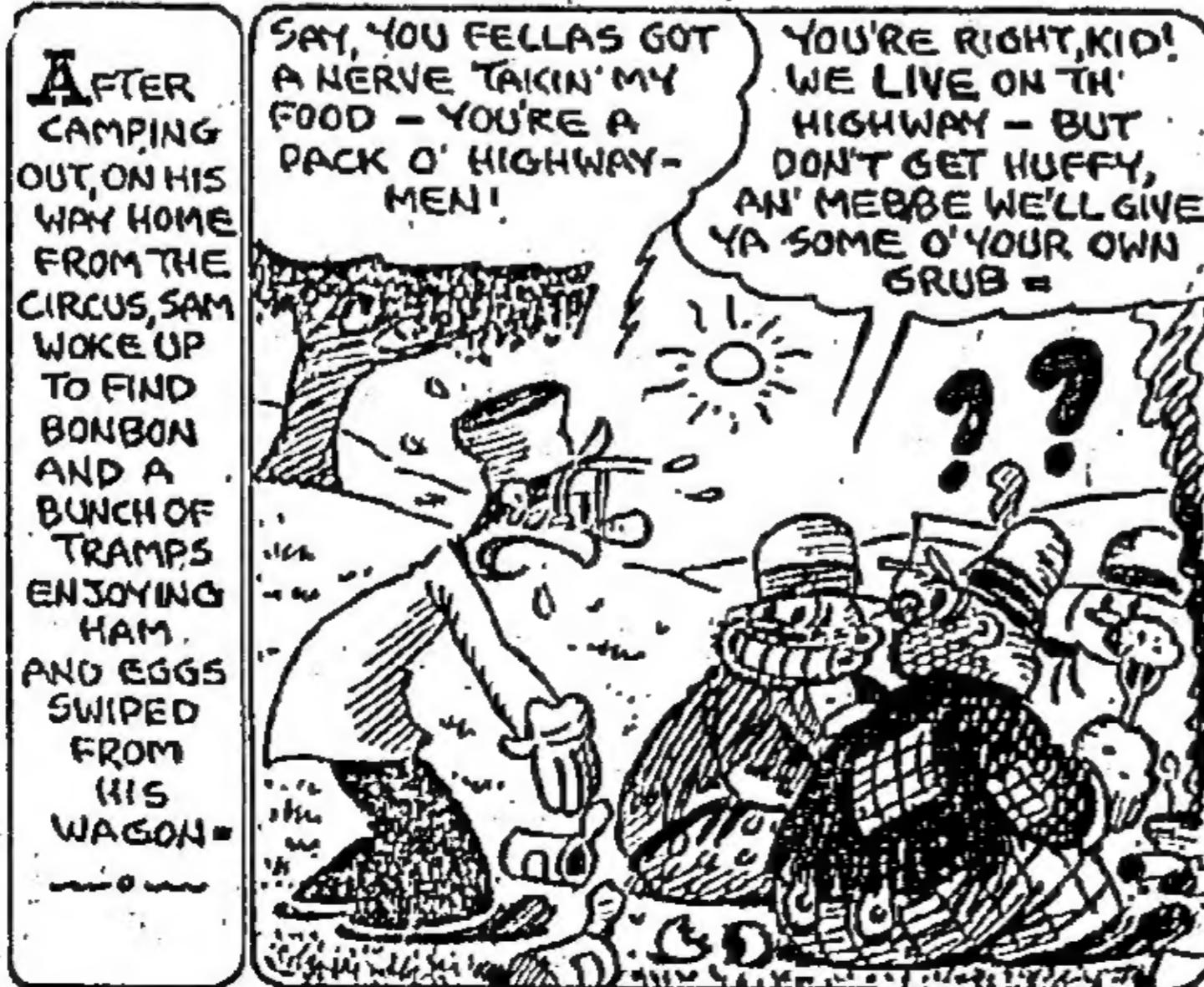
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**A YEAR'S PROHIBITION.**

**60,000 PROSECUTIONS IN U. S. DURING YEAR.**

Washington, Oct. 24. The Department of Justice states that nearly 60,000 persons were prosecuted under the prohibition law during the year ended June 30 last. Convictions were obtained in 80 per cent of the cases and fines amounting to over \$37,000,000 were imposed, the highest total since the law was passed.

As regards the smuggling of liquor into the United States, the coast guards seized 22 foreign and nearly 400 domestic craft.—Reuters' American Service.

Other distinguished members of the Government and Services were present. At the Cenotaph ceremony the Association was again well represented.

Your Committee desire to bring to the notice of members and other ex-active service men that the forthcoming Armistice Day will be the tenth anniversary and it is hoped that all will make a special effort to be present at the Cathedral, the Cenotaph and the dinner.

The thanks of the Association are due to Lt. Col. Bird, D.S.O., for the use of the Volunteer Headquarters for the dinner.

The Late Earl Haig.

On the occasion of the Memorial Service to the late Earl Haig, a large number of members attended the Cathedral, prior to which a wreath was placed upon the Cenotaph.

A message of sympathy to Lady Haig was sent from the Association.

The Association was represented at home by Mr. R. K. Hepburn, who laid wreaths on the London Cenotaph on behalf of the British Legion and Ex-Active Service Men's Association of Hongkong.

Chinese War Memorial.

On Sunday, May 6th the official unveiling of the Pailau, erected in the Botanical Gardens, in memory of the Chinese who lost their lives in the Great War, took place. The Association was represented at the ceremony.

Sports and Entertainments.

The Association engaged in a number of Billiards matches which were greatly enjoyed by the members present.

A farewell supper and concert was held at the Club House in honour of Col. C. Russell Brown last February.

Bathing Beach and Picnics.

It is regretted that all efforts to secure the Easma Bathing Beach at Stonecutters have, up to the present, proved unsuccessful. In this connexion thanks are due to your former President, Lt. Col. Hayley Bell, for his untiring efforts to secure for us this beach. It is hoped the Military authorities will see their way clear to granting the use of it to the Association next year.

Launch Picnics were again organised, but owing to lack of support these had to be abandoned.

Library.

Two new bookcases have been obtained and a fair number of books given by various members of the Association.

Billiards.

The re-arrangement of the lighting over the Billiard Table was most effectively carried out by Sgt. Bruno, K.O.S.B., to whom the best thanks of the Association are tendered.

Armistice Day 1927.

The Association held their annual dinner on Nov. 11th which was a successful and enjoyable function. The attendance registered a new record. Lt. Col. F. Hayley Bell, D.S.O., presided and His Excellency the Office Administering the Government (Hon. Mr. W. T. Soutern, C.M.G.) honoured us by his presence.

Certain necessitous cases were afforded relief during the year under review.

Appreciation.

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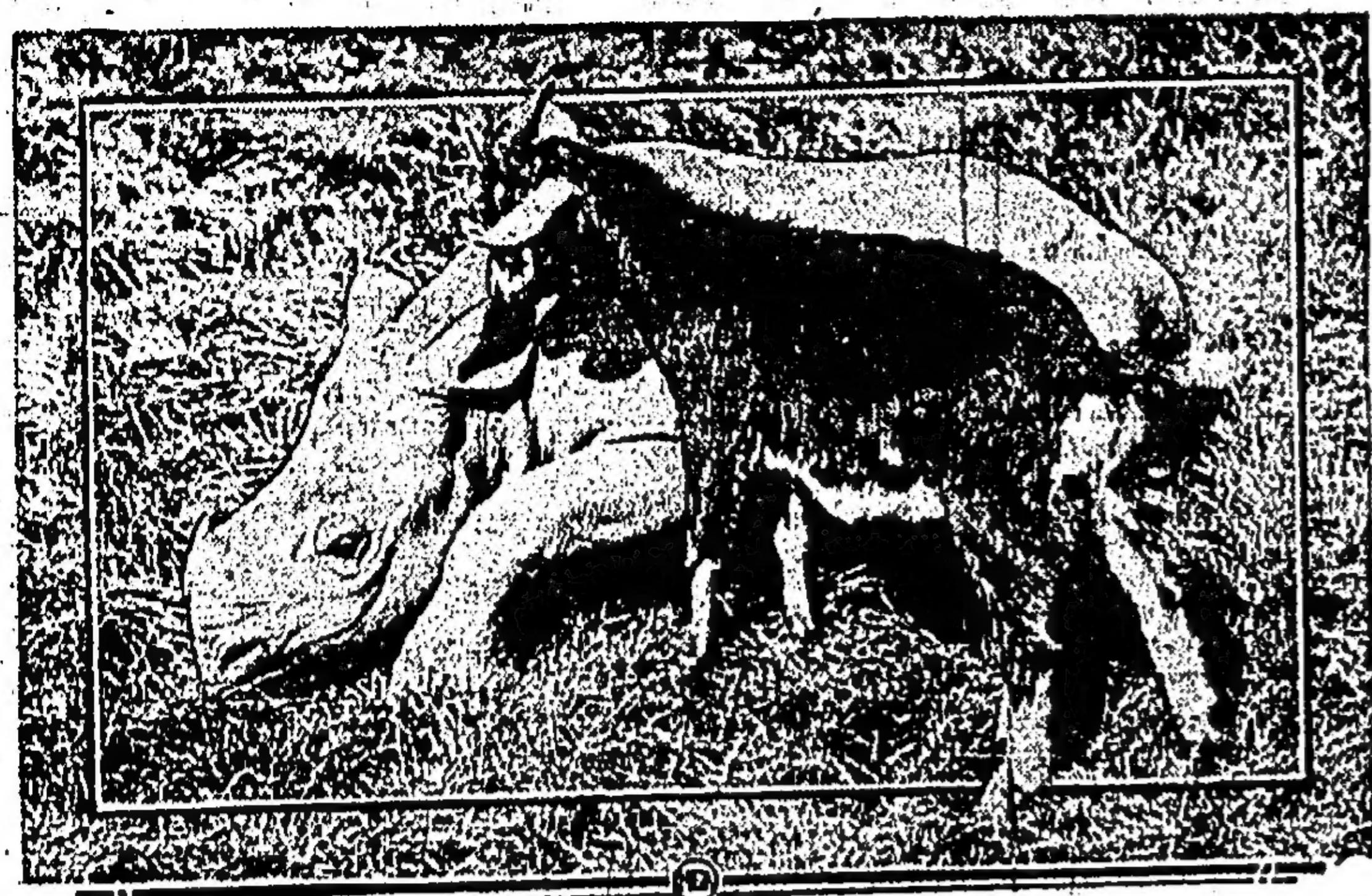
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This extraordinary picture taken at the London Zoological Gardens recently, shows a billy goat apparently engaged in earnest conversation with a baby rhinoceros. Just what the party of the first part is saying to the party of the second part, is the puzzle, though possibly he is about to take a nice healthy bite.



A cat and dog life appears to be a less agitated process than generally imagined judging by the above pictures



Our picture shows part of the dog power of the Byrd Antarctic Expedition. The four huskies were posed for the photo as they and about 75 companions arrived at Norfolk, to be placed aboard one of Byrd's ships. They were recruited in Labrador.



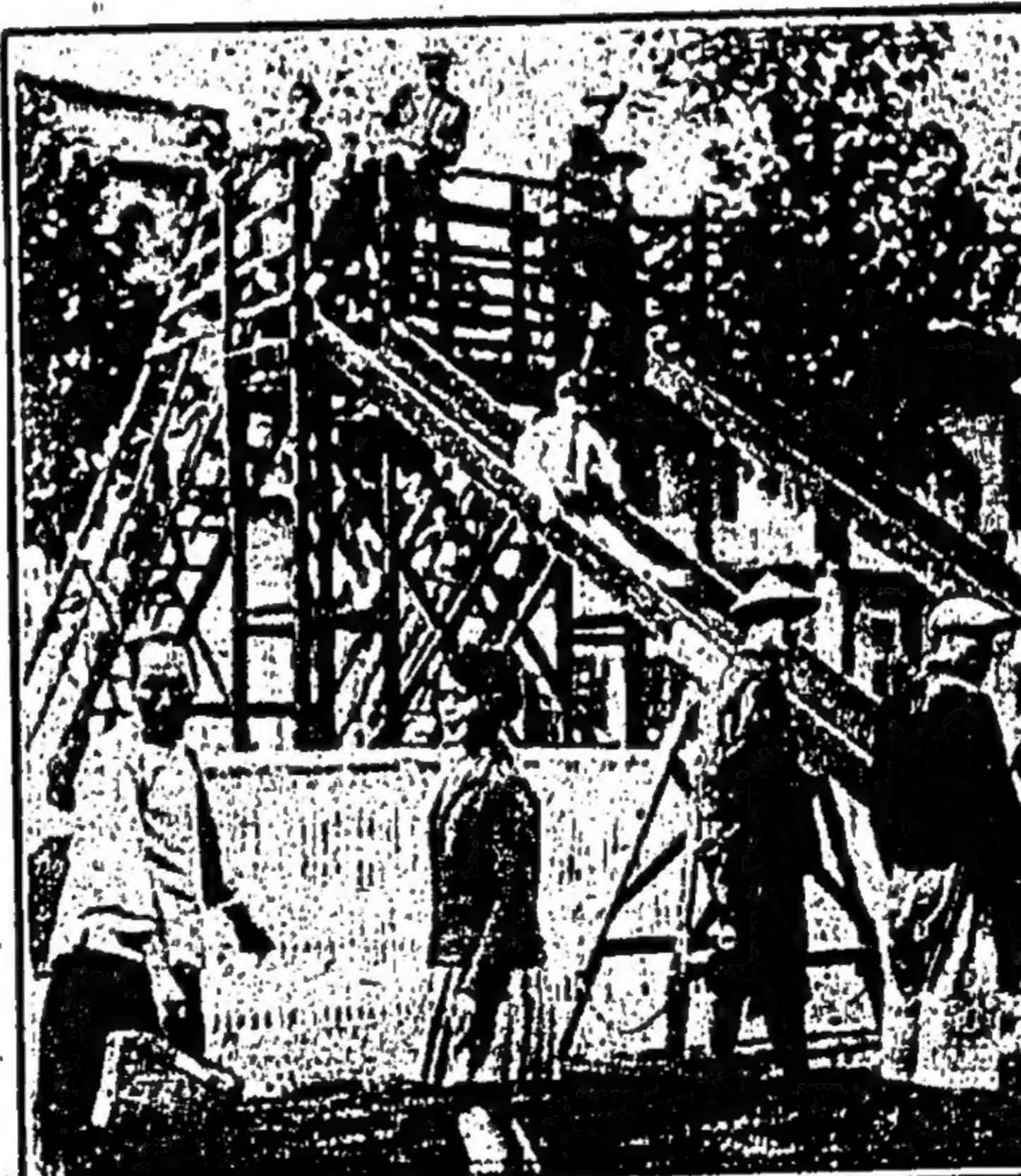
Reuben H. Clark who has taken up his duties as U. S. under-secretary of state. He succeeds Robert E. Olds, who resigned.



Our photograph shows a beautifully marked Ocelot (Felis Paralis) which arrived at the Zoo recently from Brazil. (Times copyright).



A jolly group of young French boys and girls who took an active part in the foto which was held at the French Park Shanghai recently.



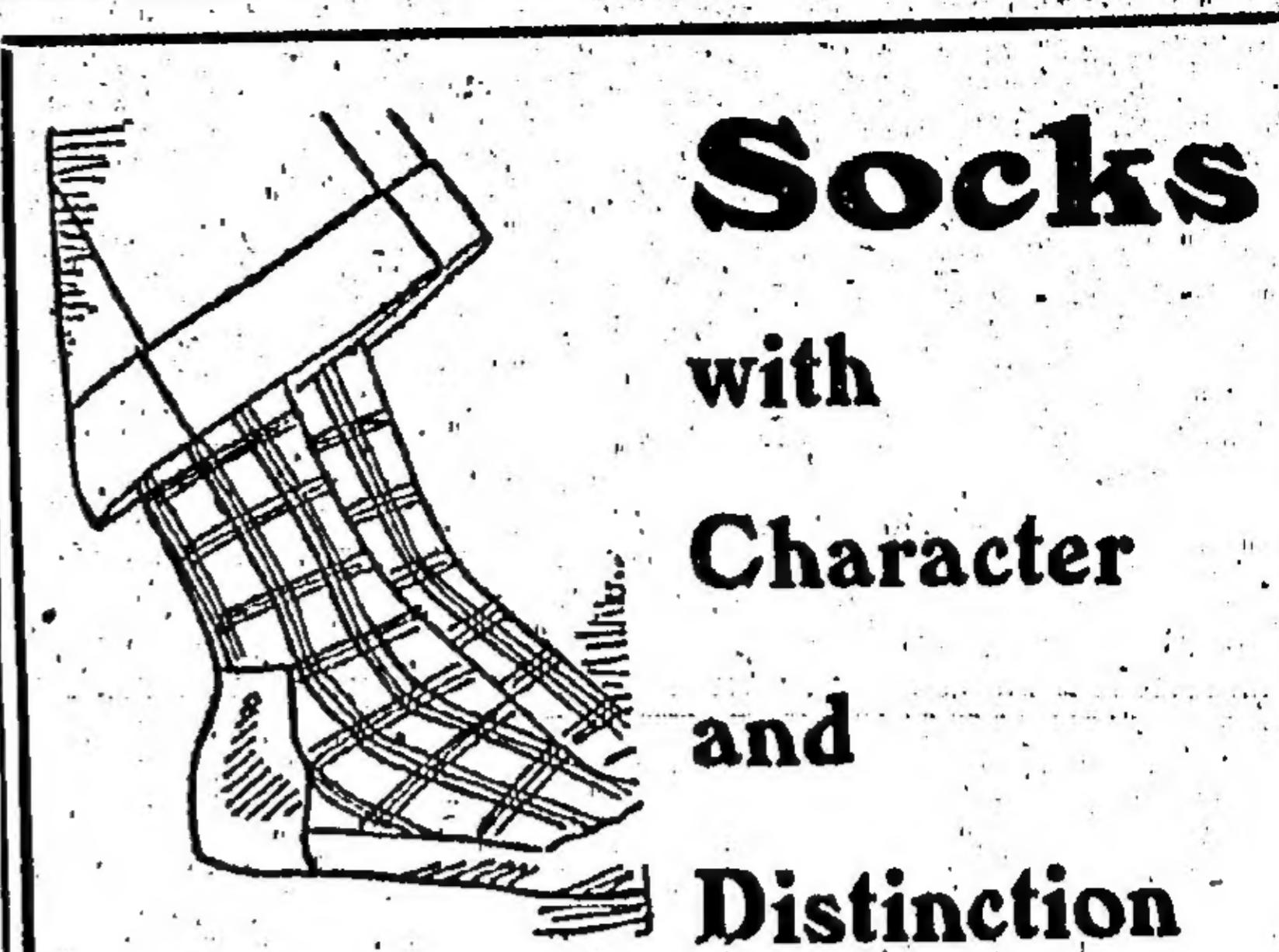
Children enjoying the thrill of the big slide which was popular at the Children's Fete held at the French Park Shanghai recently.



The above picture shows a difficult movement in one of the physical culture exercises conducted by an expert in Shanghai.



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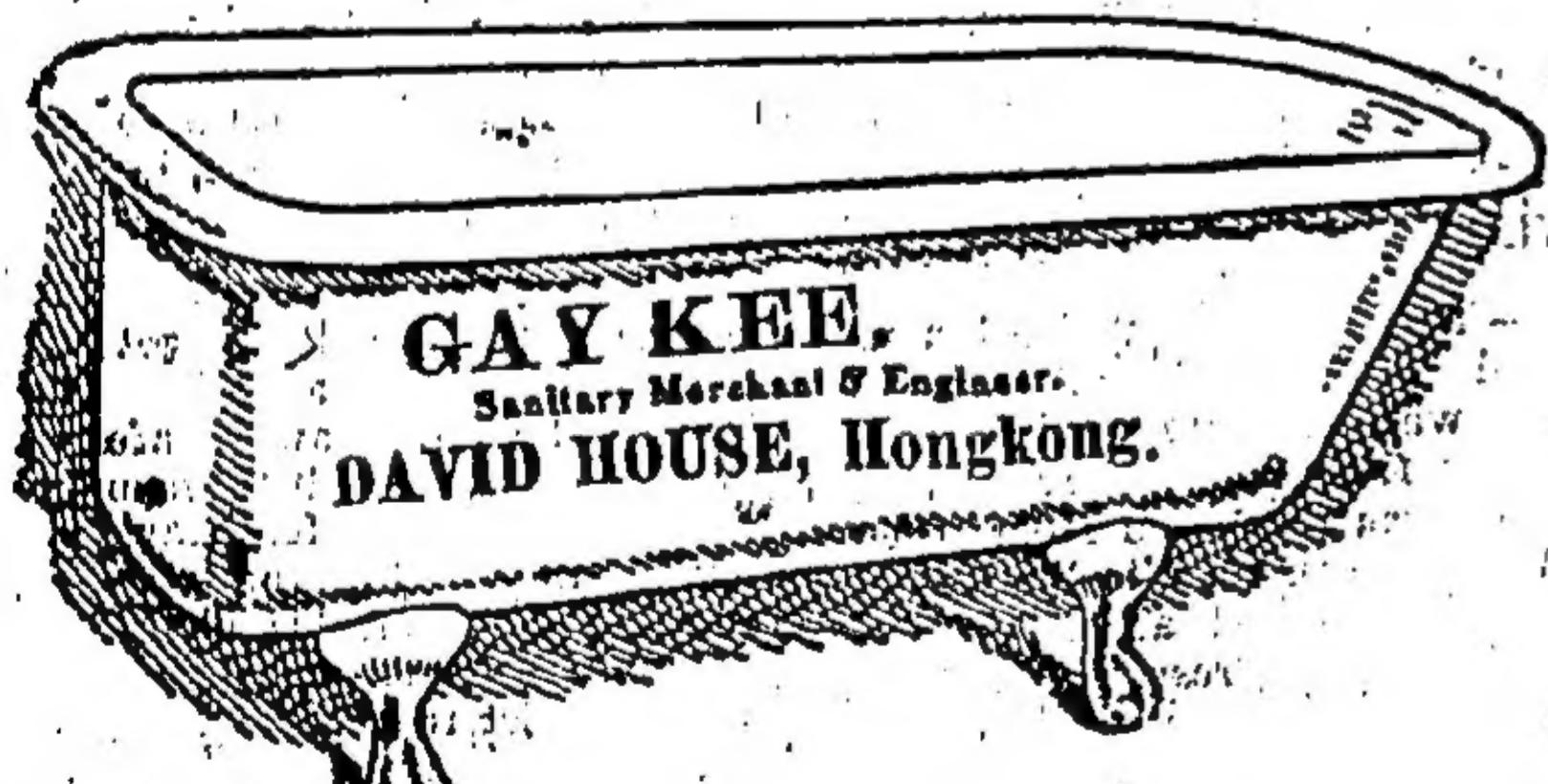
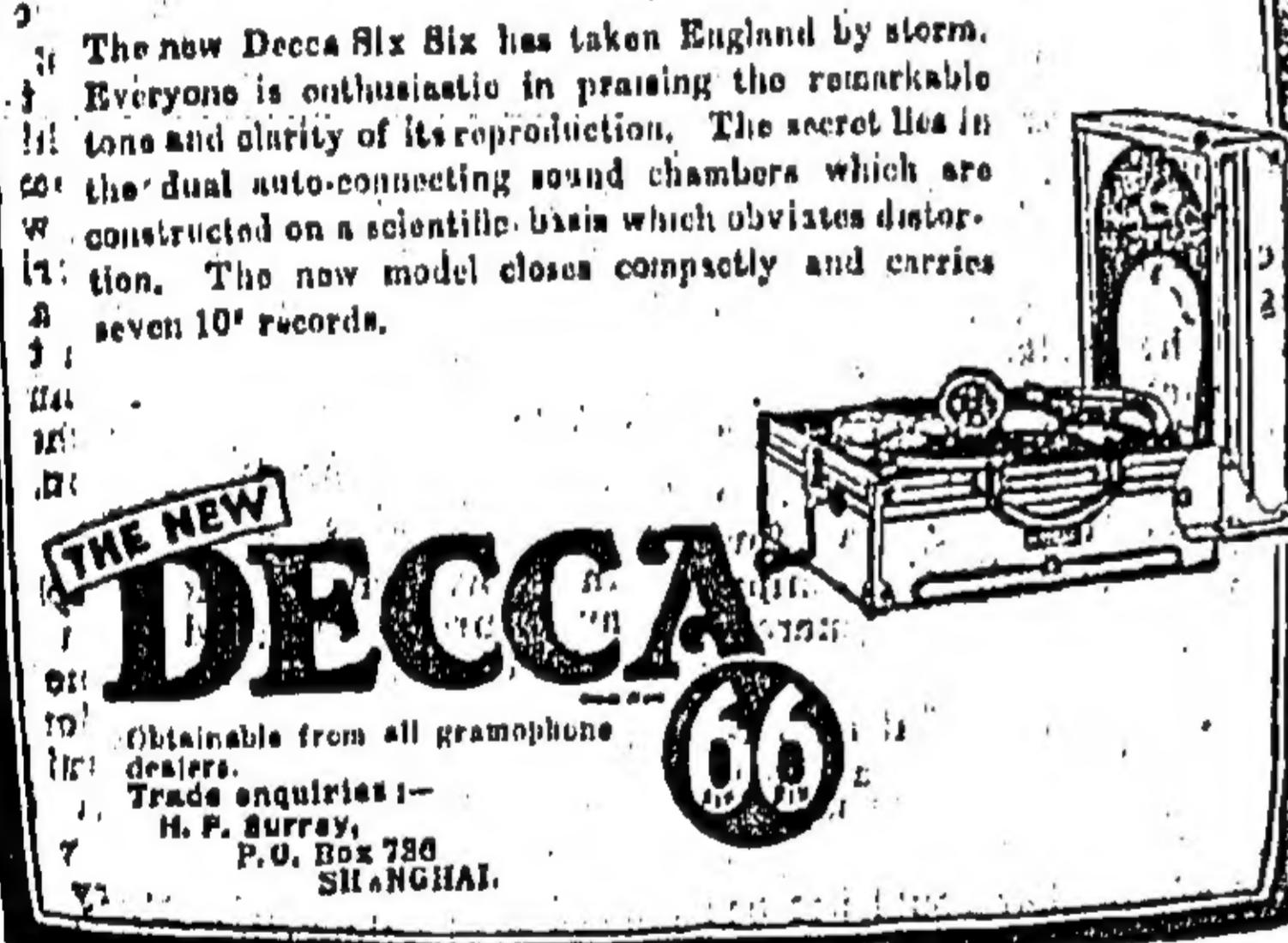
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## WOMAN'S WORLD FOR OUR LADY READERS.

### Taffetas & Satin.

#### IN ALL KINDS OF STYLES.

When taffetas was cautiously urged as tentative medium for the flaring silhouette, that swept all before it in fashion, there were few who accorded it a hearty welcome. Things are different now, however.

It has demonstrated that the new flair for great elaboration, gathers and folds of fabric, finds no more lovely expression than in taffetas. We find it now, not only in the "period" frock or robe-a-style, but in chic afternoon models, and in two-piece practical dresses.

Many windows on the Granda Boulevards, are given over entirely to taffetas displays. One shop chooses navy blue as the colour, and features taffetas in this colour in combination with georgette, in frocks for older women. Another shop selects black for afternoon wear, trimming it with white and beige lingerie touches, and another window shows a practical morning phase, charming little two-piece dresses, combining plaid taffetas with a plain, pleated skirt, the latter trimmed in a smart plaid.

Satin is still popular, and are followed by georgette and velvet combinations in the smarter styles. Crepe satins, Canton crepes, and flat crepes are among the new season's favoured materials.

### Very Demure.



One of the season's prettiest dance frocks is made of flesh pink chiffon embossed with velvet spots in a slightly deeper shade. The frock is tucked all over—finely on the bodice and broadly on the skirt—and is finished with a big black taffetas bow.

### Fringe or no Fringe?



Since several popular society women set the vogue of the light fringe, other women are probably thinking of following their lead, but are uncertain if this style of hair-dressing will suit them.

It is purely a question of type. Some faces look charming with a light, soft fringe; others do not. Try the effect at home by cutting a few hairs and carefully examining the result. The very lightest of fringes will help you to decide whether the style will prove becoming or the reverse. If the decision is in the negative, no great harm is done, for the cut hair will readily brush back until it grows again to normal length.

If the trial fringe pleases you and you decide to wear one, do not allow the hair-dresser to cut a straight wedge right across the forehead. This is ugly, except on the favoured few who possess the medieval page-boy type of face. A central fringe, a soft wave on either temple, a series of little curls across the brow...these are the best styles for the average girl.

### Latest Fashions.

Do you hear the voice of fashion, O! my daughter? Do you mark what all her experts have to say, That the boyish mode is ended, And your meals may be ex-

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tion,

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has come to stay!

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For it means a greater out-

put of their wares.

There are peans from the

drapers

And rejoicing in the papers

Which the "husband" and the

father" duly share.

For that thinning process

truly

Tried your tempers quite un-

duly.

And increased the load of

dull, domestic cares.

'Tis not Venus you should

emulate but Juno.

You must take the extra

nourishment you need,

And you'll find the latest move-

ment.

Will effect a great improve-

ment,

It will make you more attrac-

tive, dears, indeed.

But I can't be quite conceal-

ing.

The unpleasant doubt I'm feel-

ing.

For you may not pay the

fashion any heed.

TOUCHSTONE.

Like Nature, the artistic housewife loathes an empty space, with nothing to redeem it, and corners are just empty spaces, in most houses hence the cold, hard effect in so many otherwise charming rooms.

Even a picture hung across a

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angle—but nothing ever made or

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built-in corner cupboard.

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the remainder of the furniture, it

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ever the contents, it will still lend

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modern cabinet, "however expen-

sive or well-made."

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Vertical

1 Long, slender pieces of timber.

2 Constellation.

3 Griphed.

4 Small fresh water fish.

5 Not bright.

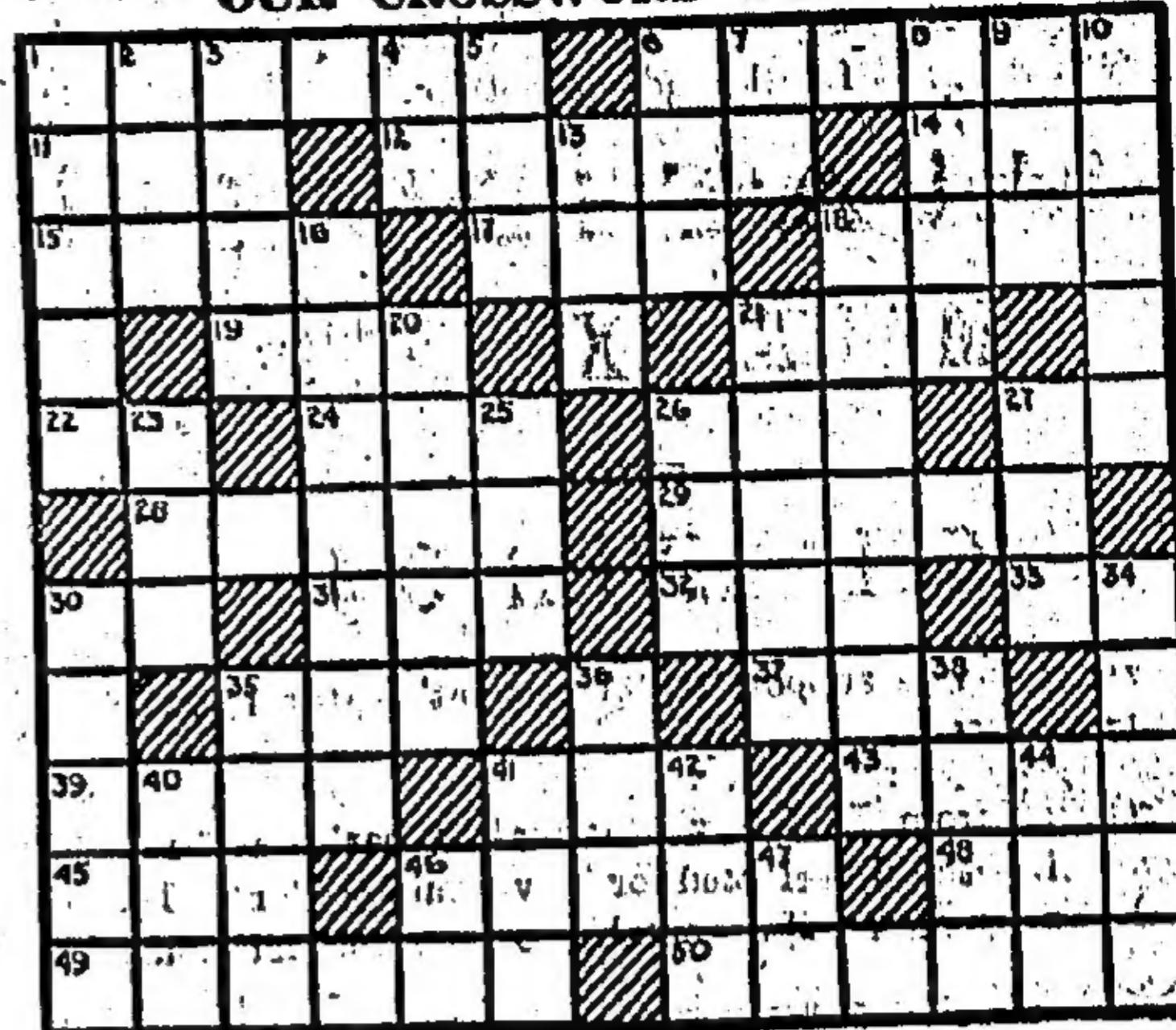
6 Mover's truck.

7 Within.

8 Secular.

9 Bird of the night.

### OUR CROSSWORD PUZZLE.



- 1 Pale.  
6 What French lyric poet was the first of the modern school?  
11 English coin.  
12 Low sofa.  
14 Reverential roar.  
15 A young sheep.  
17 Male.  
18 What fluid is secreted by the liver?  
19 Before.  
21 Portion of circle.  
22 Therefore.  
24 Braces.  
26 Axe.  
27 Bone.  
28 Wharf.  
29 Greyish white.  
30 Abbreviation for "street."  
31 Kindred.  
32 Male cat.  
33 Standard of type measure.  
35 Beer.  
36 Woolly surface of cloth.  
39 To impel.  
41 Membrane uniting duck's toes.  
43 Home of bird.  
45 Five centime piece.  
46 Who is the composer of the opera "Carmen"?  
48 Born.  
49 Which is the largest river in the world?  
50 Something very inflammable.

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LAND	TON	VIES
ALEE	FEND	ELSE
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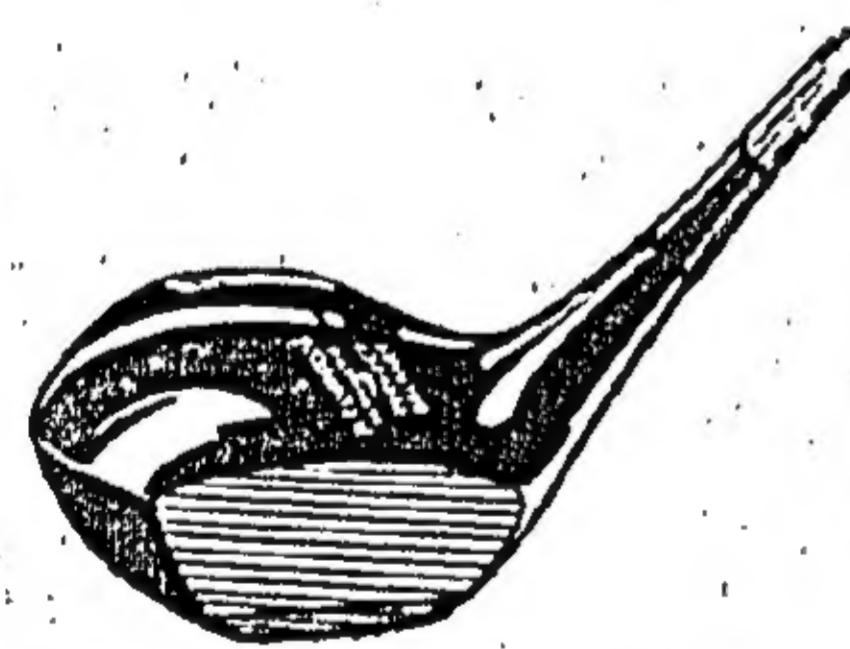
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**A SERIOUS MATTER.**

It is evident by the news received from our Swallow correspondent yesterday that a serious situation has developed at that port in regard to the activities of the Surtax Bureau. The dispute has been going on for more than a month now, and it seems to be getting worse rather than better. It is the old story of friction between merchants and officials of a Bureau operating a Government tax, and, after closely following the developments of the past few weeks, the conclusion can hardly be avoided that the merchants have a genuine grievance. The fact that Chinese Chambers of Commerce in Siam, the Straits Settlements and the F.M.S., as well as various commercial bodies in Kwangtung Province itself, have felt impelled to make representations to Nanking on the matter, shows the extent of the feeling that has been aroused. One of the most unfortunate aspects of the matter is that Canton and Nanking appear to be at variance on the subject, inasmuch as their orders to the Bureau are diametrically opposed.

In considering this subject, it should be borne in mind that the Bureau which is causing all the trouble was instituted for the purpose of collecting what is known as the Washington surtax of 2½ per cent. Incidentally, the merchants complain that Kwangtung is the only Province which has set up a separate Bureau for this purpose, the impost being handled elsewhere by the Customs. But the principal cause for objection appears to be that those to whom the collection of the surtax has been farmed out are not satisfied with the normal 2½ per cent, and, refusing to accept the Customs valuation of goods they indulge in a variety of "squeeze" to the detriment of trade in general. A further complaint by the merchants is that perishable goods are often lost on the wharves until they are of no value whatever, this being due to the unsatisfactory manner in which the Bureau functions, causing endless delay and confusion. Even as originally established, the Bureau was objected to by the merchants, on the grounds that it was totally unnecessary and that conflicts were bound to arise owing to two distinct organisations being concerned with the levying of taxes. Matters, however, be-

came even worse when new regulations giving further opportunities for extortion were issued. So incensed were the Chinese traders at this development that for a time they stopped all exporting, and the "strike" only came to an end when the Nanking Government ordered the Bureau to operate on the lines originally laid down. At the same time, the Nanking Government ordered the merchants to resume exporting. This was done, in the belief that the Bureau would function as when it was formed, but when it became known that permission had been received from Canton to put the new regulations into effect temporarily, the merchants, who had fulfilled their part of the contract, were quite naturally up in arms. The Bureau, however, continues to defy the Nanking orders and still appears to be pretty much a law unto itself.

The position at the moment is extremely unsatisfactory, and it will be interesting to see whether Nanking insists on its orders being obeyed. Aside, however, from this aspect of the question, there is the outstanding fact that the trade of this important port is being throttled by all manner of "squeeze" and irregular taxes. As we reported only a few days ago, yet another impost, the Parcels Post Tax, has just been instituted, and the consequence is that importers are fortunate if they get off with taxes of less than 15 per cent. If we add to this the burdens placed on goods inland as the result of other irregular taxes, we shall gain some idea of the baneful effects of this system of taxation. All these matters bear a close relation to the tariff problem, and inasmuch as even Canton and Nanking do not appear to be able to agree on the surtax question, we may well conjecture what is likely to happen if and when tariff autonomy is conceded.

**Sino-Japanese Issues.**

Though the Sino-Japanese conversations at Nanking are purely informal, Dr. Wang and Mr. Yada have already accomplished much of great value. Insurmountable obstacles appeared thickly distributed among the outstanding issues between the two countries, but by patient endeavour from both sides, the ground in most cases has been smoothed out, and the seeds of harmony planted. Already an understanding has been reached on several major points, though, as anticipated, a settlement of the Tsainan Incident is presenting considerable difficulties. Nevertheless,

both are to be congratulated on the progress made, and when official negotiations are opened, the task of the plenipotentiaries will be largely limited to settling the details of broad lines already laid down. Mr. Yada and Dr. Wang have spent many hours in discussion of the various problems, and it seems obvious that Japan's representative in Nanking is under instruction to meet China's wishes as far as possible. Dr. Wang, too, appears to have adopted a most conciliatory attitude, and the prospects of a complete understanding are, to quote his own words, highly hopeful. We think it safe to assume that the doubts in certain Chinese political circles of Baron Tanaka's sincerity may be dismissed as without foundation. The most ardent imperialist in Japan dare not flout public opinion to the extent alleged, and we suggest that Chinese politicians may view the Japanese attitude with complete compunction unless some definite action gives cause for apprehension. Meanwhile, we may offer congratulations to Dr. C. T. Wang. When he entered office as Foreign Minister of the National Government, his appointment was viewed with disfavour in many spheres. His activities in some directions since have been much criticised, as for instance, the announcement of the abrogation of Commercial Treaties. In this, however, he has been pursuing a consistent policy, that of realising, at the earliest possible moment, China's aspirations. If he has been precipitate from the foreign point of view, his popularity among the Chinese has understandably increased. The least that can be said is that Dr. Wang has worked ably in the Nationalist cause, and that in negotiations with foreign diplomats, he has, contrary to early fears, been disposed to purchase friendship by concession.

On the occasion of their impending departure for Home, Messrs. A. Saint, A. Cook and C. Slade, of the Royal Naval Dockyard, were the recipients of presents from their colleagues at the Dockyard Recreation Club yesterday afternoon. Engineer Captain Mitchell made the presentations to Messrs. Saint and Slade, and Mr. Ticknor, the Chief Constructor, handed a gift to Mr. Cook. The gifts were to Mr. Saint a scent spray and powder box (for Mrs. Saint) and a gold wrist watch to Mr. Slade, a 400 day clock, a set of tapays and a blackwood table. The presentations were made during the interval in a most enjoyable concert to which Messrs. Longyear, Crabb, C. Bennett, H. Bear, Turner and Hopper contributed.

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**DAY BY DAY.**

THAT ONLY CAN WITH PROPERTY BE STYLED REFINEMENT WHICH, BY STRENGTHENING THE INTELLECT, PURIFIES THE MANNERS.—Coleridge.

The Ben Line s.s. Ben Nevis is due here from Home and Straits ports on Saturday.

The fourth of the series of articles on Men's Wear appears on our Sports Page to-day.

Yesterday's return of notifiable diseases shows two cases of smallpox and one of diphtheria. All were Chinese.

We have received a useful bridge-marker from the well-known firm of opticians, Messrs. N. Lazarus & Co.

The Land Investment Company has completed the construction of its new garage on the Peak. The building is an imposing one and should accommodate some thirty cars.

Miss Maude Royden will address two public meetings at the Theatre Royal next week. The subjects of her addresses are, "Can we set the world in order?" "Patriotism and Internationalism."

The Hongkong and Shanghai Hotels is closing the restaurant in Des Voeux Road, which is being moved to Mac's Cafeteria. The Land Investment Company, which owns the property, is not yet ready to announce its plans.

The ladies of the Wanchai Wesleyan Church are holding a sale of work at the Helena May Institute on November 7th at 3 p.m. in aid of the funds for the new Sailors and Soldiers' Home. Mrs. Southorn is to perform the opening ceremony.

A cook employed at No. 12, Knutsford Terrace, Kowloon, was arrested in Nathan Road, near Kimberley Road, yesterday carrying six pigeons in a crate which was too small for the purpose. When charged before Mr. W. Schofield at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, a fine of \$4 was imposed.

One week's formal remand was granted by Mr. W. Schofield, at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning. In the cases of the two Chinese banditti who, at a previous hearing, claimed that they had been deported from Macao. The police intimated that enquiries would have to be made in the Portuguese Colony.

News has been received from Sydney of the death of Mrs. Nellie Macdonald, daughter of Mrs. Harmston-Love, of the well-known Harmston's Circus. She first married Stan Bennett, the jockey, who rode in Malaya for many years, and who died in Calcutta. Later she married Jack Macdonald, of Sydney.

Passengers leaving on the Empress of Russia yesterday included Mr. and Mrs. J.T. Bagram, Mr. and Mrs. W.C. Davis, Mrs. R.M. Dyer, Mr. and Mrs. F.B. Foster, Mr. H. Hale, Mr. H. Jackson, Mr. S. T. King, Mr. and Mrs. A. Maynard, Mr. G. D. Nicholl, Mr. G.H. Turnbull, Mr. J.A. Tarrant, Dr. T. K. Wong and Mr. J.D. Watt.

The death occurred on September 23rd of Lord Glenarthur, the head of Arthur & Co. (Export), Limited, the well-known firm of manufacturers and wholesale ware-housmen of Glasgow, London and Leeds. The firm was established nearly a century ago and has had a branch in Hongkong for the past fifty years which was formerly in charge of the late Mr. Alex. Mackenzie and is now directed by Mr. H. J. Lamb.

This would be somewhat elaborate. The simplest and a very effective safeguard, would be to carry about eight British troops quartered where they could not be surprised.—Yours, etc.

LITTLE WILLIE.

Hongkong, Oct. 24th, 1928.

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**CORRESPONDENCE.****ANTI-PIRACY MEASURES.**

[To The Editor of Hongkong Telegraph.]

Sir—it seems to me that "H.J.M." makes too many (9) rules to bear in mind, and I think I can go one (or 7) better.

1. Don't send the ships to sea.  
2. If you do, don't let them carry any cargo or passengers.

Either course should be a sure cure for piracy of any brand.—Yours, etc., BRAIN WAVE.

Hongkong, Oct. 24th, 1928.

**The Very Idea!**

"G.B.S." has been put out of countenance—literally. He has been staying at a hotel in Genoa, and was walking out of the dining room when an American woman rose abruptly as he was about to pass her and stood gazing fixedly at him. He drew up and returned the gaze with equal fixity, and the whole room watched the duel in silent suspense, wondering what would happen next. Shaw, however, gallantly bowed to his woman admirer, if such she was, dropped his eyes and with a bow proceeded on his way. "Well," said the American woman, "I won."

Whilst on a week-end walk (writes a correspondent to a Home paper) I came across the lines below affixed to a seat outside Hayes Church, Kent, Homely verse, perhaps, but appropriate, having regard to the thoughtlessness of many people when visiting beauty spots:

All friends who to this seat repair,  
Rest and be thankful, but  
With forbear  
to straw,  
Others rest here as well as you,

The paper that once held the sticky sweet,  
The sandwiches, and the other things we eat,  
The packets from which the cigarettes are fed,

Banana skins, tram tickets, white and red,  
These scattered, spoil the beauty of all should share,  
The basket waits, please think  
and place them there,

Willaden Woman: My husband is quite a wealthy man, he has 3,000 marks in Germany.  
I was not acquainted with the men, but I know their names by sight.—A witness at Mansfield.

The first member chosen to represent the Chamber on the Legislative Council was Mr. (later Sir) Thomas Jackson, chief manager of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation.

sufficiently for the wonderful moral effect of his pill-box bridge, and scattered young forts. If, after all, his ship would not float, pontoons could always be fitted alongside.

His barbed wire gadget has been found wanting, and, as practical politics, his search suggestions are merely amusing. I suggest that "H.J.M." should concentrate on road building.

If ships were arranged so that officers' quarters, bridge, and engine room were always free from access by all classes of native passengers, and the vulnerable places on the bridge were protected by bullet-proof plating about 7/16 inch thick, there could be no piracy. In addition, it might be advantageous to carry a few British troops on coolie class ships. In a piracy, the wireless is merely a menace to the crew.

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LITTLE WILLIE.

Hongkong, Oct. 24th, 1928.

He was a Scot, and had got a wee draple to take home." Stowing the bottle away safely in his hip pocket he started homewards, but slipped and fell heavily. Picking himself up, and gently patting the snow off his clothes, he suddenly became conscious of something moist in the hip pocket region.

For the moment his heart stood still, then, with soulful emphasis, he breathed, "I hope it's blood."

site is nothing short of a public scandal. All mortuaries should be miles away from residential areas.

The Sanitary Board Inspectors are not slow in seizing and condemning foodstuffs, etc. unfit for human consumption but the Government should not lose sight of the fact that air is most essential to human life, therefore every step should be taken to prevent the air from being contaminated by putrefaction and/or dead bodies in a high state of decomposition.

If Mr. J. P. Braga and the other energetic members of the Sanitary Board will press the Government to have all mortuaries removed from residential districts they will earn the gratitude of the community and—Yours, etc., Ratepayer.

Hongkong, Oct. 25, 1928.

**TINFOIL THEFT STORY.****THIEVES USE MOTOR-CAR TO MOVE METAL.****SOLD AT LOW PRICE.**

The case resulting from the theft from the Hop Yick factory at Causeway Bay, on Friday night, of several hundred pounds of tin foil was to-day heard before Mr. R. E. Lindell at the Central Magistracy. Of five men who were arrested after police investigations, three were charged with theft, to which they pleaded guilty, while the two others, a metal dealer and his *fok*, were charged with receiving.

Evidence was taken to-day in the case against the alleged principal receiver, who, through his solicitor, Mr. Leo D'Almada, Sr., had returned a plea of not guilty.

Instructed by Mr. J. M. Hall, Mr. Hin-shing Lo appeared in the case to prosecute on behalf of the Hop Yick Company. As a first step, he applied for the release of the dealer's *fok* who he viewed as being only a subordinate to the dealer and as being used by the latter as a *capsaw*. The *fok* would go into the box as King's evidence.

The *fok* was accordingly discharged.

**Story of Theft.**

After having secured an amendment to the original charge to accord with a readjustment to the quantity and value of the stolen goods, Mr. Lo opened the case for the prosecution. He said that on Friday night, five tin bars, weighing 586½ pounds, kept in the yard of the Hop Yick Factory, at Whifford Road, Causeway Bay, were stolen by the first three defendants who had pleaded guilty to the charge, and two other men who were not in custody, by means of a preconceived scheme.

The case against the alleged receiver—the fourth defendant in the case—would be that at about 4 p.m. he bought the metal after it was taken from the factory, well-knowing its origin, and subsequently resold it to another party for twice as much as he had paid for it from the thieves.

Of course, the fourth defendant would be now saying that he had no guilty knowledge, but there would be direct evidence against him. The circumstances under which he bought and resold the goods were in themselves sufficient to show his guilty knowledge at the time of receiving them.

The complainant, Sui Lung, who is the manager and superintendent of works in the Hop Yick Factory, discovered the loss of the metal at 6.30 the following morning and immediately caused a report to be sent to the Bay View Police Station.

**Metal Changes, Form.**

In consequence of that, a Sergeant and two Chinese detectives made investigations which led to the arrest of the prisoners, and recovered the metal, but in changed form, at Yaumati where it had been resold to a marine goods dealer by the fourth defendant who would be proved to have received it in the first instance.

In order to help to a just appreciation of the commendable effort of the police officers working in the case, he would briefly describe the progressive steps by which the metal was stolen, sold and then resold and converted into its present form.

It would appear, at first sight, extraordinary that such heavy stuff could be removed from the factory and carted about without prompt detection on the spot, but the Hop Yick factory occupied a block of six houses on the hillside at Causeway Bay, facing the harbour in a secluded locality which was favourable for the purpose of the thieves. At the back of the factory were two doors which, Mr. Lo emphasised, could only be bolted and opened from the inside. Of the 200 work-people employed at the factory, some 90 men lived in the factory.

**Workers Aid Thieves.**

The robbery was carried out from within, and the moving spirits in the enterprise were Kan Wo, the first defendant, who was one of the workmen who had their sleeping quarters in the factory, and, Kan Yan, the second defendant who was a former *fok* employed in the machine room.

A little before midnight, Kan Wo let in his friend, Kan Yan, and two other men who were lying in wait at the back of the factory. Before the two last men were admitted, Kan Wo, after letting in his friend through the sleeping quarters, had to climb down by a waste-pipe to get into the yard where the metal was kept. They opened one of the back-doors mentioned, carried the metal away and concealed it on the hillside while they went away to get a motor-car.

The case against the alleged receiver was remanded.

**THE MOISEIWITSCH RECITAL.****LAST NIGHT'S FINE MUSICAL TREAT.**

In writing of a piano-forte recital in Hongkong by such a world-famous artist as Benno Moiseiwitsch there is no need to attempt a technical musical description of the event, for one feels, after hearing last night's recital in the Theatre Royal, that it is sufficient to say that Moiseiwitsch played as superbly as a man with his great reputation was expected to play.

For many years, Moiseiwitsch has been counted as one of the world's greatest pianists—an artist who gives a beautifully fresh interpretation even to compositions that have been "done to death." And at the Theatre Royal last night one felt the artist's personality immediately. One was literally compelled to listen, and, in consequence, to enjoy beautiful music beautifully expressed. Moiseiwitsch has been called "the poet of the piano," which is a phrase that aptly expresses the great beauty of his playing. In light, airy, pianissimo passages he possesses a delicacy of touch that is peculiarly subtle, and his interpretation of all shades and moods of piano-forte music is masterly.

Last night's recital was played on a new Grotian-Stehnweig piano, imported by the Anderson Music Company for the Helena May Institute, and it proved to be a very fine instrument. The programme opened with a short sonata by Scarlatti, following which came Beethoven's Sonata in C Major—the most important offering.

The second part of the programme consisted of a Chopin group—three studies, a waltz, a prelude and a scherzo—and proved to be a rare treat. Chopin is, to most people, the greatest of all piano-forte composers, being so understandable and captivating. The Etude in E Major is wholly charming, and Moiseiwitsch brought out all its power of appeal. The "Raindrop Prelude" was another fine treat; and the Scherzo in B Minor (in place of the Fantasy in F Minor) was greatly enjoyed.

The final part of the programme comprised varied offerings, beginning with Rachmaninoff's Prelude in G Minor—a well-known and lovely composition. The "Claro de Lune," by Delibes; Cyril Scott's Russian Dance; two highly colourful compositions by Palmgren; a short work by Granados; and one of Liszt's Rhapsodies made up the concluding group, every item being rapturously received by the audience. For sheer technique, Liszt's rhapsody is beyond the ability of most pianists, and the consummate skill with which Moiseiwitsch crashed out handfuls of notes earned for him a burst of enthusiastic applause. He very kindly obliged by giving as encores two Chopin waltzes.

The audience was not as large as it ought to have been, but possessed boundless appreciation. A final recital is being given on Saturday night, and there ought to be a packed house to hear one who is undoubtedly one of the greatest living pianists.

Returning later with the vehicle, the men eventually drove away with the metal to a hut belonging to the fourth defendant at the Praya East, not far away from his own residence. They got there at three o'clock in the morning, and the door was opened by the fifth defendant whom the Court had just discharged.

**Metal Sold.**

He was a *fok* of the fourth defendant, and went to fetch the latter. He came to the hut and agreed to buy the metal, at the price of \$380, paid \$5 in advance and promised to turn over the balance in the morning. The men took the money and went back to their sleeping quarters.

At 6.30 the fourth defendant ordered his *fok* to take the goods across the harbour while he himself crossed in a ferry. They met at a marine goods dealer's shop in Yaumati, where a sale was arranged with the dealer, the latter paying \$400, or about twice as much as the fourth defendant had paid for it. It was also understood that at this point, the fourth defendant stipulated that the metal should be melted and recast into another form before he parted with it.

Two detectives who were assigned to the case, on the receipt of the report of the theft at the Bay View Police Station, were successful to the point of being able to effect the arrest of the alleged receiver and of the principal culprits and to recover the stolen metal, although now in a changed form.

His Worship sentenced the first and third defendants to two months' hard labour and the second defendant to three months' hard labour, on the charge of stealing the metal.

The case against the alleged receiver was remanded.

**BUSINESS SCHEME FRUSTRATED?****AGENCY'S ALLEGED FAILURE TO LEASE PREMISES.****A CONTRACT DISPUTE.**

An effort to start in business as a dried goods dealer, after the concern had found a mirror of the trade unprofitable, was frustrated owing to an estate agency's failure to carry out a contract for leasing premises, according to a story told to Mr. Justice Jacka, in the Summary Court this morning.

The plaintiff, Cheung Wing-tung, 35 D'Aguilar Street, second floor, claimed from the Yeo Loo Estate Agency, and Chu Kam-cho, 6, Duddell Street, rent collectors, for the sum of \$143.70. This included the return of \$47.50, rent paid in advance, \$56 advances to employees, \$50 deposit for furniture, and damages for breach of contract. The plaintiff alleged that he had a contract with the defendants to obtain possession of No. 437, Queen's Road West, where he intended to start business for which he made preparations, but he had been unable to start because the defendants had not turned the old tenant out of the premises.

Mr. D. L. Strellett conducted the case for the plaintiff and Mr. W. D. Owen defended.

**Previous Failure.**

Mr. Strellett, in explaining the circumstances, said the plaintiff was formerly a mirror-dealer but he had to give up that business because it was not profitable.

With the idea of starting new retail business in dried goods he looked round for premises and was recommended to the defendant agency, which was run by Chu Kam-cho.

The plaintiff interviewed Chu Kam-cho at the Duddell Street office on July 30, and after examining the premises he agreed to take the ground floor of the house in question at a monthly rental of \$47.50. Although there was at that time a tenant on the premises, the terms were that possession would be given on September 14.

On August 12 the plaintiff visited the premises, but found that they were still occupied by the old tenant. As a result, he went to see the defendant to ask for an explanation, when he was told that they could not give him possession on September 14. When asked for a definite date the reply was they could not give definite date. It would appear that the defendants took the risk of getting the sitting tenant out before the 14th, and failed.

Dealing with the expenses incurred by the plaintiff, Mr. Strellett went on to say that he first of all paid a month's rent in advance. He also travelled about in the course of which he went to Kongmoon to engage shop assistants, advancing money to them to the amount of \$50. In addition he ordered furniture to the extent of \$136, for which he paid a deposit of \$50. When he was unable to take the furniture, owing to the fact that he was not able to gain possession of the premises, he had to forfeit the \$50 deposit.

Mr. Strellett remarked that the receipt had been sent to the Court translator, for an English copy to be certified, but the translator had fallen ill and the original receipt, with the English copy, was locked up in the safe. They had, however, a copy which was not certified.

Mr. Owen said that his client would admit the receipt.

In proof of the fact that there was a contract, Mr. Strellett referred to a letter written by his firm to the defendant, in reply to which a letter was received containing words admitting the contract.

Mr. Owen remarked that his client also admitted the original contract to lease the premises. It was further admitted, he said, that on September 14 the defendants were not in a position to give possession and that the old tenant was still in occupation.

Commenting that such admissions would considerably shorten the case, Mr. Strellett continued that on September 13 the plaintiff

**FIRE AT REPULSE BAY.****OUTBREAK NEAR BEACH SOON QUELLED.**

At fifteen minutes to day, there were rumours current that a fire had broken out amongst the bathing sheds at Repulse Bay, but subsequent news showed that this was not the case.

What happened was that some of the dry grass and scrub near the beach, but not very close to any of the sheds, caught fire and caused quite a big blaze.

The Fire Brigade was notified, and two engines were sent out.

These quickly suppressed the outbreak.

**ONE-SIDED POLICY OF COMPRADORES.****WILL SHARE PROFITS BUT NOT LOSSES.****SHANGHAI COMPLAINT.**

Condemning the business policy of some compradores in foreign houses here whom he declared were always glad of a share in the profits but would leave the losses to be borne entirely by their foreign employers, Dr. F. Wilhelm, counsel for Glathe and Witt,

German firm of importers and exporters of 106 Szczecin Road, asked the Provisional Court in Shanghai last week to dismiss a claim brought against his clients by a former compradore who filed suit to cover Tls. 8,106 with interest, representing his alleged unpaid commissions.

Glathe and Witt also brought a counter-claim against the plaintiff for Tls. 3,104, representing the alleged extent of losses sustained through non-fulfilment of contract on the part of dealers introduced by the compradore. They held that the losses were far in excess of the commissions due.

**Compradores Denounced.**

Dr. Wilhelm denounced the attitude of compradores in the employ of foreign firms and declared that they amassed their fortunes with the minimum of risk by demanding a share of the profits and refusing to assume responsibility over all business secured by them. In any business, counsel pointed out, all parties, willing to accept a profit should also be willing to stand a part of the loss. The foreign firm, he said, must pay all the overhead expenses, while the compradore gets his commissions on the gross profits of the firm.

In this case, Dr. Wilhelm said, the compradore was connected with the firm for four years and would not have stayed that length of time if there was no money to be made. He gladly took his share of the profits and should be held responsible for the losses according to the compradore agreement, the attorney asserted.

**The Claim.**

According to his petition, the compradore alleged that he was engaged in June, 1924, as compradore for H. C. Augustesen China Trade Co., which was subsequently liquidated and taken over by Glathe and Witt. Under his agreement with the defunct company, whose obligations the new firm assumed responsibility for in September, 1927, he was to receive commissions on sales and was held responsible for 25 per cent of losses incurred by the company through the bankruptcy of his Chinese clients. He informed his employers that the losses they mentioned were derived from non-fulfilment of contract on the part of bankrupt firms. Dr. Wilhelm contended that firms which are closed without the due processes of the bankruptcy courts cannot be legally described as bankrupt.

After further argument the case was adjourned for a week to enable the contending parties to file their briefs.

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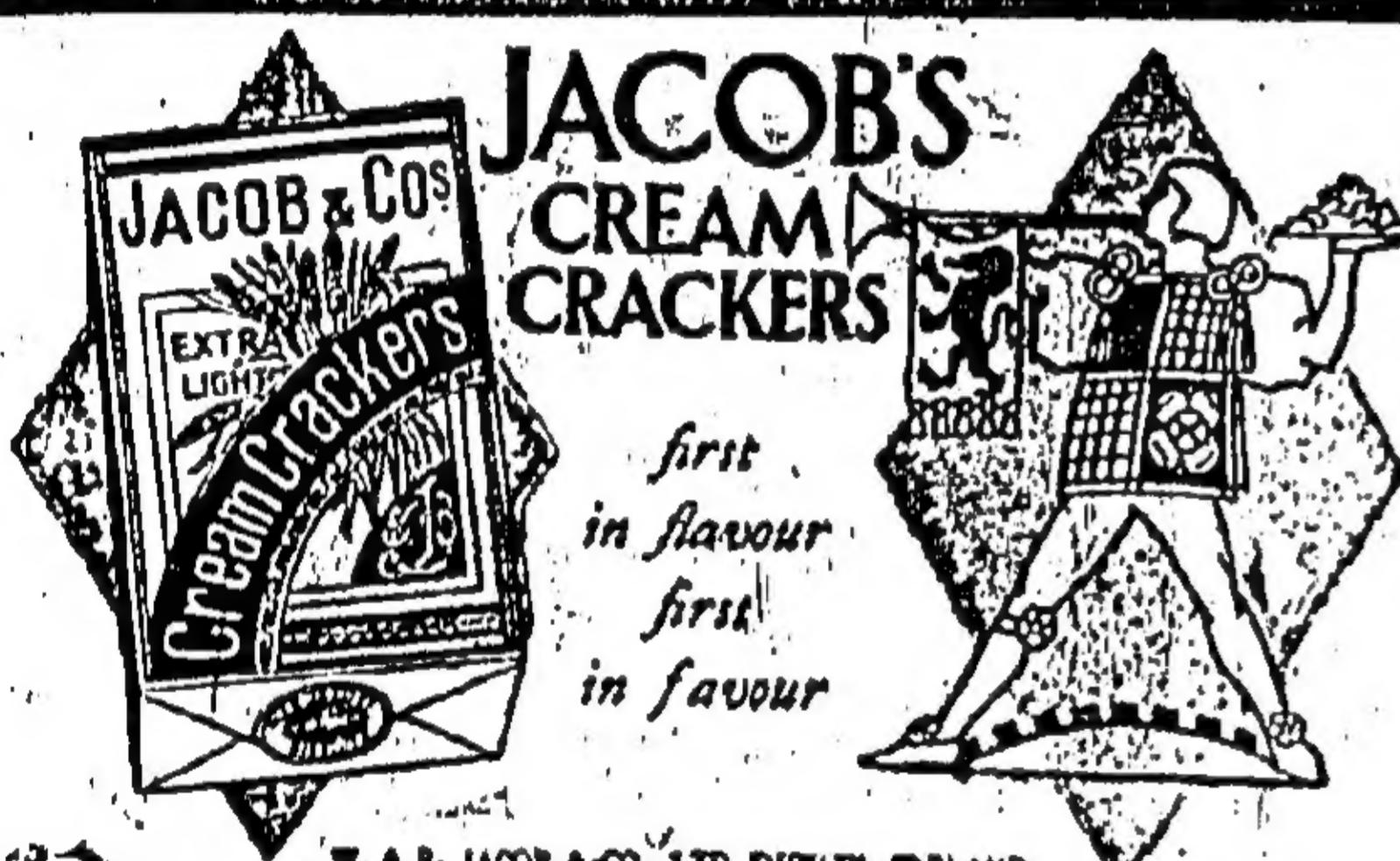
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## THE WORLD OF SPORT.

### SHAMEEN LAWN TENNIS.

### MEN'S HANDICAP DOUBLES AND HONG DOUBLES.

The results of the first round in the Men's Handicap Doubles of the Shameen Lawn Tennis Club are as follows:

Mr. Platt and Mr. A. E. Pitchard (-30) bye.

Mr. A. T. Lay and Mr. J. Rödger (-50) defeated Mr. M. Gavin and Mr. A. Giovanoli (+16) 6/3; 6/7, 6/4.

Mr. G. Woudenberg and Mr. D. Latimer (-4/2/15) walk-over over Mr. Summer and Mr. Larsen (-30), who scratched.

Mr. Bonbright and Mr. Waleot (-4/2/40), defeated Mr. Benson and Mr. J. Linaker (scratch), 7/5, 6/4.

Mr. J. Mareschall and Mr. F. E. W. Lammert (-4/2/40) defeated Mr. L. A. Jeeves and Mr. Buxton (-4/2) 6/3, 6/0.

Mr. M. A. Annett and Mr. F. Gandossi (-15) defeated Mr. J. Krabbe and Mr. M. Brennwald (scratch) 6/2, 6/3.

Mr. J. H. Sutcliffe and Mr. L. B. Wood (-15) defeated Mr. W. R. Farmer and Mr. V. E. C. Ferrier (-15) 6/4, 6/4.

Mr. W. F. Gilman and Mr. K. Neckelman (-4/2/15) defeated Mr. C. E. Watson and Captain G. A. Clements (-30) 6/3, 6/2.

### HONG DOUBLES.

The second round of the Hong Doubles being now completed, the following are in the semi-finals:

The United States Consulate-General (Mr. Stanton & Mr. Bonbright) by defeating the Asiatic Petroleum Company (Mr. A. E. Pitchard & Mr. Platt) 6/3, 6/3.

The Shameen Municipal Council (Mr. C. E. Watson & Captain G. A. Clements) by obtaining a walk-over from the Chinese Maritime Customs, who scratched.

Messrs. Butterfield and Swire (Mr. H. G. Eales and Mr. A. E. Arnold) by defeating the Northern Feather Works, Ltd., (Mr. K. Neckelman & Mr. J. Krabbe) 6/2, 6/2.

Messrs. Gerlin, Drevard & Co. (Mr. J. Baud & Mr. V. E. C. Ferrier) by defeating Messrs. Deacon & Co. Ltd. (Mr. R. K. Batchelor & Mr. L. B. Wood) 6/0, 4/6, 6/4.—Our Own Correspondent.

### SUNDAY'S FOOTBALL MATCH.

### POLICE TEAM-INTERPORT PRACTICE.

As announced yesterday, the Police have arranged for a practice game to be played on the Hongkong Football Club ground on Sunday afternoon in preparation for the Interport with the Shanghai Police in February.

The Police team for Sunday's game is as follows: MacHardy; Wynne and Hooper; Hudson, Stewart and Jeapes; Pile, McGreavy, Fraser, Shepherd and Howarth. Reserve: Brittain.

The match is timed to start at 4.30 p.m. Mr. W. E. Hollands, Hon. Secretary of the Football Association will referee.

### BOY SCOUT AQUATICS.

The Hongkong branch of the Boy Scout Association is holding its annual swimming sports at the V.R.C. baths on Saturday, commencing at 8.30 p.m.

### VETERAN WINS THE HARBOUR SWIM.

### C. J. COOKE COMPLETES THE "HAT TRICK."

C. J. Cooke, the veteran swimmer, won the cross-harbour race last evening for the third year in succession, after a strenuous swim in which his experience and fine judgment of the set of the tides gave him a considerable advantage over younger swimmers. He thus set up a fine record for stamina, his first successful attempt having been made as far back as 1909.

At the start, made from the Railway Pier at Kowloon, the 28 contestants were bunched together, and it was difficult to distinguish the leaders until, reacting to the tides, the men spread out fan-wise. They then divided up into groups, each having its own separate idea as to making the best of a difficult course.

C. J. Cooke and L. Roza Pereira, who had kept together for the greater part of the course, now separated company, with Cooke well in the front position although he appeared to be making too wide a detour for home. However, his judgment was vindicated and he finished strongly with 30 yards to spare over Pereira, who was unable to make up leeway in spite of a somewhat tardy start near the finish. A Chinese swimmer, Chan Chan-hing, was third.

Yesterday's Times.

The first fifteen competitors to complete the course yesterday were as follows:

	Mins.	Secs.
1. C. J. Cooke	23	35 8/5
2. L. Roza Pereira	24	22 2/5
3. Chan Chan-hing	26	12 2/5
4. John Fant	26	42
5. L. C. Finlayson	27	01 1/5
6. S. V. Gittins	27	36
7. Leung Sui-man	29	31
8. Yeung Yuen-wah		
9. Pte. Faulkner		
10. Pte. Roza		
11. H. M. Remedios		
12. W. F. Kerr		
13. S. H. Scollima		
14. Private Jordan		
15. Lam Ming-oh		

Only seven swimmers completed the distance under the half hour.

### The Records.

The records of the V.R.C. show that besides C. J. Cooke two other swimmers had won the Harbour event three years in succession, these being J. C. Finch and J. R. Johnston. Cooke, however, is the only competitor who has won the event more than three times. He has won it five times in all, as will be seen from the following list of winners:

	Min.	Secs.
1006 Gr. Brotherton	27	42 4/5
1007 A. E. Thomas	28	50 4/5
H.M.S. Tamari	28	50 4/5
1008 "	28	50 4/5
1009 C. J. Cooke	29	20 2/5
1010 T. Logan	26	58 2/5
1011 "	33	16 2/5
1012 Br. Nutly, R.G.A.	34	8 2/5
1013 J. C. Finch	22	25
1014 "	23	24
1015 "	25	30
1016 A. Logan	29	13
1017 J. R. Johnston	27	53 1/5
1018 "	26	53
1019 D. Lyon	26	47 2/5
1020 "	27	49
1021 C. J. Cooke	26	11 4/5
1022 C. A. May	28	14 3/5
1023 C. J. Cooke	26	10 1/5
1024 "	28	17 3/5
1025 "	23	35 3/5

The prize distribution in connexion with the Harbour races and the V.R.C. annual sports will be held at a later date, this being necessitated by the fact that many of the prize winners were not in the club premises last evening. The date will be announced in the local papers.

### LEAGUE CRICKET.

### SENIOR & JUNIOR MATCHES FOR SATURDAY.

The following will represent the Indian Recreation Club in league match against the Hongkong Cricket Club on Saturday, at 2 p.m., at the H.K.C.C. grounds. A. el Arculli, J. S. Ackbar, J. S. Curzon, A. H. Madan, A. S. Ismail, O. Ismail, S. H. Ismail, A. R. Minu, A. K. Minu, A. S. Suffla and A. H. Rumjahn (Capt.) C.R.C. Team for Saturday Next.

The following will represent the Chinese Recreation Club in their match against the Crangengowen C. C. at Causeway Bay on Saturday, H. Ching, C. Chos, H. Hung, H. C. Hung, W. C. Hung, W. H. Kwan, Ng Sze-kwong, W. H. Sling, Taiul Wal-pui, T. H. Yeoh and J. L. Youngnay, H. K. Eleclerc v University.

The following will represent the Hongkong Electric Recreation Club in a league match against the Hongkong University 2nd XI, at Polkulum on Saturday, at 2 p.m., sharp. H. F. Akelhurst, C. Banks, J. C. Dunham, C. E. Gelugan, H. S. Jones, W. N. H. Murdoch, W. B. Muskett, F. Normington, A. F. Paul, G. Thomson, and J. R. Way (Captain). Reserves: G. T. Paiget, and S. J. Clarke.

### MARINE COURT.

### MINOR CASES DEALT WITH TO-DAY.

Minor cases of breaches of Harbour Regulations were heard at the Marine Court this morning before Commdr. J. B. Newill, D.S.O., R.N., the defendant in all cases pleading guilty and being fined.

The master of a cargo boat was charged with mooring his craft in such a manner as to obstruct the Government Slipway at Yau-mati. He pleaded that the owner had instructed him to proceed there to load. The fine was \$10, with the alternative of 10 days' imprisonment.

The same fine and alternative were inflicted in the cases of eight trading junk masters and mistresses for lying their craft inshore during dark hours.

The master of a fishing boat, charged with failing to take out a licence at Tai O on arrival from Haiphong, stated that he had no knowledge of local rules and was without money to pay for the licence even had he known. A fine of \$6.50, the doubled licence fee, was inflicted with the alternative of seven days' imprisonment. The accused was unable to pay the fine and was sent to gaol.

### DRESS ETIQUETTE FOR MEN.

#### 4.—PLUS FOURS.

(By Scribe)

Probably no fashion has made such an impression on men's styles as the "plus four." It has come to stay, because it is so comfortable and essentially "manish," not only for the links, but for general week-end wear, for walking, driving and many other out door occasions.

Yet it is with a "plus four" suit that many men make the most ghastly mistake, even men you would think impossible of making a sartorial "faux pas." Please, please don't wear stiff collar with such a suit; you are conveying an open-air atmosphere in those clothes—don't shatter the effect.

I see men about, too, in their thin soled pointed shoes and plus fours, that is hopelessly wrong. Effect a compromise if you like, and buy a pair of lightly brogued shoes that will go well with either plus four or lounge suit.

Many men have an odd pair of "plus fours"—a good idea too. They may be made of flannel of any colour or some patterned material such as Linon, Palm Beach, or similar weight cloth, making a good "in-between" season garment.

Pull-overs or button sweaters look best if they tone with the cloth of the suit. Avoid any vivid clash of colour.

The "fleck" or woollen tassel garter, seems to be going out of fashion; this will give the average man a chance of keeping his stockings really taut. The business of winding wool round the leg always seemed to me a poor substitute for the plain and invisible elastic garters that are on the market to-day.

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**"HIS WIFE."**

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## CHAPTER XIX.

Mrs. Priestly waved Walter's remarks aside. "What she had to say was not so much to the effect that Staveling was a blackguard, but of far deeper and more personal moment to Walter. His wife had left the house—"her home"—and was at that moment in the George Hotel with Staveling.

"To go at night to an hotel to meet such a man hardly needs explanation," Mrs. Priestly said, her nostrils dilating. "It is an open scandal. Possibly she does not intend to return. Ada saw the whole disgraceful proceeding, as I told you, and in putting the facts before you, Walter, I am only actuated by a sense of duty."

Walter stood up, his slender figure tense and erect. "Stop, mother, please," he said, and his voice should have warned her. "I cannot bear things against Orange. Ada chose to spy upon her, it seems, and I am ashamed to think she did." If Orange went to see Staveling—

"Wait, my son!" Mrs. Priestly raised her hand. "Orange lied! She said she did not know this man. You heard her. You may recall the letter she wrote to you on her wedding day. The man she loved—she gave a hard little laugh—"was Lord Staveling. We have full evidence of that. Ada, have you got the paper you showed me?"

Silently Ada handed to her brother *The World We Live In*. Her face was pale and her tears had ceased. "You have not told Walter how Mr. Crakenthorp treated me," she said bitterly.

Walter did not listen to her; he was looking at the photograph below it. Saying nothing he laid the paper down on his writing-table.

"It is well to be prepared in case she does not return," Mrs. Priestly said significantly.

"I saw them together," Ada broke out. "Such a sight. In some ways I suppose it was more decent of Mr. Crakenthorp to leave."

"What Crakenthorp has to do with all this I hardly understand," Walter said, eyes hard. "It seems as though my private affairs are being thoroughly advertised by you and him, Ada."

"You said I spied," Ada trembled and avoided his look. "It's most unjust of you."

"Yes, perhaps it was, he admitted heavily, and sat down again. "Let us see how we stand, rather. You have come here with Ada to tell me that Orange is unfaithful to me. I refuse to believe it. She isn't like that. If she intended to go away with Staveling she would have come and told me so!"

Mrs. Priestly gave a little sniff of exasperation; but she kept her mouth shut in a tight, close line.

"You tell me," he went on, "that Orange was engaged to Staveling, and remind me of a letter of hers which you read at the time. I tell you in return that I trust her implicitly. She has a very difficult part to play in this house, and I married her on the understanding that she was to have a perfectly free hand. If she came to care for me, well and good. If not—if not, she was not to be coerced by anyone. Orange has been very brave and very straight with me."

"Even when she induces Lord Staveling to come here during your absence?" Mrs. Priestly asked acidly.

"How do I know that she did? His coming may have been pure accident. She may not have wanted to see him. Her visit to him tonight may, quite possibly, be merely to tell him to leave Lynton."

Mrs. Priestly had been holding herself in for some time; but at this she let go. "Walter, I always knew you were a simpleton," she said, craning her head forward and staring at him. "But there is another word which best describes you, though I will not soil my lips by speaking it. If you were a man you would act."

"How should I act?" he asked, as he watched her.

"You would pack that woman out, bag and baggage, directly she puts foot inside your doors, if, indeed she ever does. Let this dissolute man take her out of her outraged home, and let him cast her off as he most certainly will."

Walter came towards his mother, his face working slightly. "Mother," he said sternly, "I never expected to have to speak to you like this; but I must ask you to be silent. Orange is my wife, and absent or present, I will not listen to insults to her. I love her, I trust her, and I cannot let you, or anyone, use these words in speaking of her. More than that—" he threw back his head. "I shall ask Staveling to stay here in this house, to prove to you what I think of your story."

"And are we to sit at table with her and with him?" Ada asked, following her mother to the door.

"Really, Walter, there should be some limit to what you expect of mamma and me."

Mrs. Priestly stood for a moment with bent head, and then, with a

wonderful recovery of her suave manner, she took Walter's hand and held it. "I am prepared to learn," she said with awful humility. "I am ready to accept your view, Walter. You have taken this line and in some ways I approve of it. Do as you suggest. If Orange returns to-night, let us be secret between ourselves. Then, invite Lord Staveling to Cedarwood. If you are right, Orange will indeed be vindicated. If you are wrong—" she made a sweeping gesture with her hand. "You will, no doubt, deal with the question yourself in your own way in your own time. Good night, my son." She kissed him, and with the subdued air of one who has suffered just reproof in a Christian spirit, left the room, followed reluctantly by Ada.

"But mamma, you said nothing about Mr. Crakenthorp," Ada said, tearful again, as they reached the staircase. "I think Walter ought to know."

"He shall know when he is prepared to believe the truth!" Mrs. Priestly said heavily. "Until then, Ada, silence and watchfulness. Try to remember that."

In spite of his appearance of courage, the interview had shaken Walter Priestly and left him feeling defeated and done.

He sat in his big room, the light catching his glasses, a desolate and tragic figure, small and pathetically lonely.

He had fought a good fight for Orange, but a lurking doubt shot his serpent head towards him, and struck at his heart.

The room oppressed him. He got up and, opening the window into the garden, looked out over the dark masses of the flower beds, a weight of lead on his soul.

He had been standing there for some time when a sound in the room behind him made him turn quickly, a wild hope touching his misery, but at once it took him again to the messenger, spoke of it and got round to the office typist and back to me." She pointed to herself. "Oh, don't look like that, Boys. Crakenthorp isn't a really sane man, and you see, your wife is so lovely."

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## NEW FILM "FIND."

## JAMES MURRAY IN "IN OLD KENTUCKY."

James Murray, a new film "find," will be seen in a splendid new picture "In Old Kentucky," the feature attraction at the Star Theatre from to-day till Saturday. The picture has the reputation of being one of the most thrilling race horse melodramas ever filmed and has a capital climax which has been staged with great effect. Helene Costello is the charming heroine and is supported by a large cast which includes Wesley Barry, Nick Cagley and many others. Most of the action takes place in the Southern States of America where two lovable old negro characters are responsible for the many laughs which the picture contains.

(To be Continued.)

A serious incident is authoritatively reported to have taken place on the frontier between Yugoslavia and Albania, near Skutari. In sequel to the murder of the chief of an Albanian clan his relatives crossed the frontier into Yugoslav territory and demanded the punishment of those guilty. The local Yugoslav Vice-Governor, having refused the request, he was killed, as were seven other Yugoslav subjects. One Albanian was killed.

"I finished all these before I left the office," she said, glancing at him curiously. "Late as it was, the night was so fine that I ran over with them for you, as I knew you were still here."

"Yes, I'm still here," he said, making an effort to smile.

"And there's something wrong."

She took off her small hat and threw it on the floor. "You know, Boss, you're so much too good to live that sometimes I'm afraid you'll die off."

He took no notice of her, but folded with the letters she had brought. "How about Arthur?" he asked.

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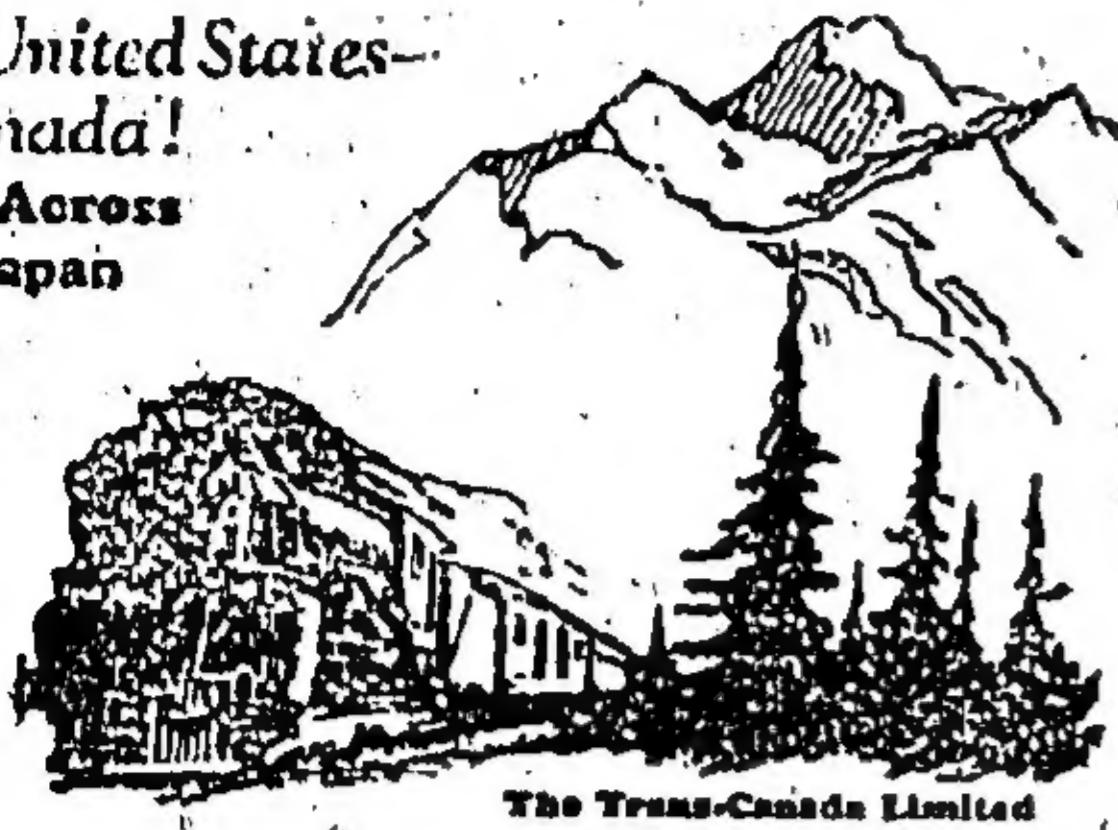
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## THE TROOPING SEASON

### DORSETSHIRE ARRIVES WITH THE ROYAL SCOTS.

The first transport of the present trooping season, the 2nd Dorsetshire, arrived in Hongkong early yesterday morning and sailed for Shanghai later in the day. The vessel left Southampton on September 16 with drafts from Home for Hongkong, Shanghai and Tientsin. At Suez she picked up the 2nd Battalion Royal Scots, who are destined for Tientsin to relieve the 1st East Yorks.

A few details were disembarked from the Dorsetshire yesterday in Hongkong, the other drafts and the Royal Scots, together with their families, going through to the North. The Dorsetshire will call at Shanghai on Saturday and will then proceed to Chingtao, where the Royal Scots will be disembarked. The transport will have there on November 5 with the 1st Battalion, East Yorkshire Regiment on board and will call at Hongkong again on November 12.

On the homeward trip she will call at Colombo, Bombay and Gibraltar, the East Yorks being disembarked at Bombay for further foreign service in India. Details from Tientsin and Shanghai will go through to Southampton and other details will go through from Hongkong to Ceylon and Gibraltar.

## BOMB OUTRAGE:

### SIXTY CASUALTIES AT LAHORE.

Lahore, Oct. 24. The casualty roll from the bomb explosion is now sixty, including six dead. No arrests have been made.

Investigation showed that the bomb was hurled into the crowd from the wall of the fort, the assailant escaping behind the ramparts.

Business in the city is normal.—Reuter.

## ANOTHER FIRE AT PORTUMNA.

### TECHNICAL SCHOOLS BURNING UP.

Dublin, Oct. 24. Communications with Portumna suddenly ceased last night after isolated urgent calls for help had been received at Athlone, Limerick.

It is now learnt that great fire is consuming the technical schools in which Princess Mary displayed great interest in the course of Viscount Lascelles's recent visit and is threatening other buildings, including a convent.

Civic Guards rushed to the scene from neighbouring towns and a military fire brigade was sent from Athlone.—Reuter.

## CONSTABLE FINED.

### ASKED FOR TEN CENTS FROM COOLIE.

An Indian constable attached to the Water Police Station appeared before Mr. W. Schofield at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday on a charge of misconducting himself by attempting to obtain ten cents from a ricksha coolie during the early hours of the morning. Mr. L. H. C. Calthrop (Assistant Superintendent of Police), prosecuted.

The defendant denied the charge.

Sergeant Moronov gave evidence that he was returning from patrol at about 3 a.m. yesterday and while proceeding up the slope of the Water Police Station hill, he heard the defendant sneaking to a ricksha coolie. Witness looked over the wall and heard the defendant ask for ten cents.

The ricksha coolie gave corroborative evidence, stating that the constable first asked for his licence and then asked for ten cents.

The defendant was convicted and fined \$100 or six weeks' hard labour in default.



## Count the TELEGRAPHS!

## MANCHURIA'S DECISION.

### NATIONAL FLAG TO BE RAISED IN NOVEMBER.

Shanghai, Oct. 24. According to the Kuo Min New Agency's Peking Correspondent Chiang Kai-shek's representative in Mukden, Fang Peng-jen, has telegraphed to the effect that subsequent to negotiations between Yeh Chi and Chung Hsueh-liang all the Fengtien forces within the Great Wall will be withdrawn, while the National flag will be hoisted in Manchuria in November.—Reuter.

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A report was made to the Harbour Office yesterday by Teo Sung, master of the Hongkong junk T.4073, that whilst the major part of his crew were ashore at Kap Sze, robbers seized the vessel, which was only returned after the payment of \$250.

The junk left Hongkong with two watchers, went on shore between 80, which port was safely reached and the freight landed. After the work of discharging was completed, the crew, with the exception of two watchers went on shore on the evening of October 11. Shortly after the crew's departure, a small boat pulled alongside the junk and six men, all armed, seized the

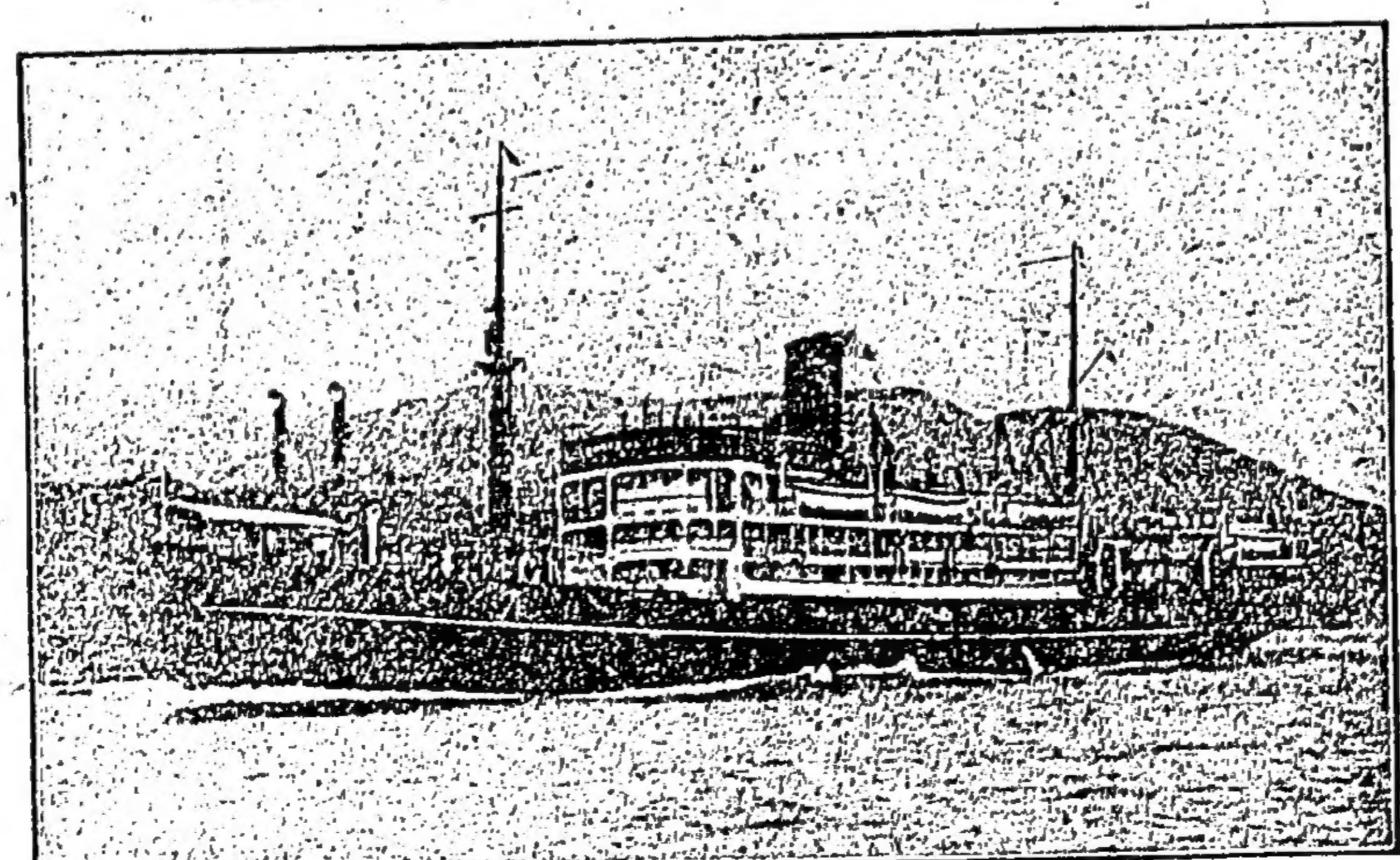
### LETTER GOLF SOLUTION.

Here is the solution to the puzzle on another page.  
CITY, CITE, COTE, CORE,  
CORK, FORK, FOLK.

two watchers and sailed away.

Luckily, the master of the junk had taken the precaution of landing his armament and the pirates had a poor haul, there being neither cargo nor valuables on board.

Subsequently negotiations for the return of the junk were made through an intermediary, and the vessel was rendered back to the master on payment of \$250. The two members of the crew who were taken prisoner were also released uninjured, it is understood.

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**BIG ARMS SEIZURE  
IN SHANGHAI.****FIELD-GUNS & SHELLS FROM  
A LAUNCH.****LICENCE EXCEEDED.**

Shanghai, Oct. 25. A rather remarkable seizure of arms was made by the Chinese authorities to-day, but it is not yet clear whether the detention has any importance or not.

It appears that a steam-launch was more or less openly moving a large quantity of arms and ammunition when officials of the Shanghai Defence Commissioner's Department appeared on the scene and seized the consignment.

The haul includes not only a large number of rifles, with appropriate ammunition, but four field-guns in parts, with 32 cases of shells and a quantity of dynamite.

A point of interest is the fact that an officer attached to the 25th Division of the Nationalist Army was in charge of the transportation, and, for this reason, it is doubtful whether the seizure will be upheld.

It seems that the amount of the consignment vastly exceeded that stated in the transport licence, and this accounts for the detention.

The Defence Commissioner, it is understood, has reported the incident to the Military Council in Nanking, asking for instructions.—*Nan Chung Pao.*

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**\$25,000 SAFE.****SUSPECTED FOKI PROVES  
VERY HONEST.**

Some ten days ago, the machinery of the law was set in motion in a search for a *foki* of the Wah Tung Native Bank, who, according to a report made to the police by the manager of the Bank, had absconded with \$25,000.

It was then stated that while the master of the Bank was away, his *foki* took the opportunity to steal the money and make his escape before the master's return.

The Bank were surprised to learn therefore that a sum of \$25,000 had been deposited with their branch office at San Cheong, in the Toi Shan district, by the very *foki* who was supposed to have absconded with the money.

A report to the effect that the money had been recovered was made to the police yesterday and the explanation given was that the manager, on returning to the Bank after an absence of several hours, was panic-stricken when his *foki* was missing and the \$25,000 had not been accounted for.

What really took place was that the *foki*, not wishing to trust anyone else with such a large sum personally took the money to the branch in San Cheong but forgot to notify the manager of his intention.

**LOW WATER IN DELTA.****CAUSES DELAY TO RIVER  
BOATS.**

Owing to the low rainfall during the summer, water in the Canton Delta has already fallen to a point which in previous years had not been reached until December. In consequence, most of the river steamers are arriving late, with adverse tides adding to the delay.

The Lungshan, from Canton, was not berthed until 2 o'clock this morning, while other vessels on the run also had slow passages and were compelled to anchor for varying periods, one ship not reaching her wharf until 3.30 a.m.

West River traffic is no better, some medium-draft ships being already on the mud with normal tides. It is anticipated that the next few months will record more than the average number of groundings for the low-water season.

**FRESH MONSOON.**

The Royal Observatory reports that a belt of high pressure extends from the lower Yangtze Valley to the East of Japan.

The typhoon appears to be nearly stationary about 250 miles east-south-east of Manila. Moderate to fresh monsoon will continue along the South-East Coast of China and over the North China Sea.

The forecast till noon to-morrow is:—North-east winds, moderate; fine.

The Naval Armament Supply Officer announces that a quantity of fireworks will be discharged for proof purposes at Stonecutters Range during to-morrow afternoon.

**JAPANESE VIEW OF  
TREATY PROBLEM.****UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN  
MR. YADA & DR. WANG.****ARTICLE 26 DROPPED?**

Shanghai, Oct. 25. Mr. Yada, the Japanese Consul-General, arrived in Shanghai this morning.

Later, the report that Mr. Yada had arrived in Shanghai turns out to be incorrect. He is still in Nanking, where it is understood that a further meeting with Dr. C. T. Wang on Sino-Japanese questions will be held to-day.—*Reuter.*

It is officially stated that excellent progress in the negotiations is still being made.

On the tariff and treaty revision problems, Mr. Yada has intimated that the Japanese Government will not insist on a strict interpretation of Article 26 of the present Commercial Treaty.

An understanding has been reached regarding the Tsinan Incident, providing for the setting up of a Commission which will inquire into the cause of the trouble, and into the nature of the loss in lives and property.

The Nanking Incident will be settled on much the same lines as the agreements with Britain and America.—*Nan Chung Pao.*

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**BIG KUOMINTANG  
CONGRESS.****MAY INTERFERE WITH NEW  
GOVERNMENT.****POLITICAL PROBLEM.**

Shanghai, Oct. 24. Interviewed by Chinese journalists in Nanking, Mr. Sun Fo, the Minister of Railways, declared that the Nationalist leaders have decided that the Third Kuomintang Delegates' Congress is to take place on January 1st, 1929.

This declaration is considered to be significant as it is understood that whilst the highest Government authorities are the Central Executive Committee and the Central Political Council, if there are disputes which these cannot settle, they are to be submitted to the Kuomintang Delegates' Congress, the decision of which will be final. In other words, this Congress is higher than the C.C.C. and the Central Political and undoubtedly higher than the newly-established five Yuan.

It is believed that if the sponsors of this Congress, including Mr. Sun Fo, can overcome opposition and call the Congress for the beginning of the year, a number of important resolutions may be passed dealing with reconstruction work. The Congress may even reorganise the present Nationalist Government.

In the same interview, Mr. Sun Fo stated that all the leaders of the Administrative Yuan will take the oath of office to-morrow, (Thursday,) and the inauguration ceremony of the Yuan will also take place. The Legislative Yuan will be inaugurated on Tuesday, the leaders having decided that the Legislative Committee shall consist of 9 members.

**RETURN OF MARSHAL  
LI CHAI-SUM.****ONLY A BRIEF STAY  
IN CANTON!**

Shanghai, Oct. 24. With regard to the return of Marshal Li Chai-sum to Canton, his trip will be a very brief one, as he has decided to go back to Nanking after a short stay in South China. It is thought that as Chief-of-Staff, he will stay permanently in Nanking.

Temporarily, however, Marshal Li will act concurrently as Chairman of the Southern Government and of the Canton Branch Political Council, until the formal abolition of the latter at the end of the year.

This morning's Harbour Office reports gave 16 arrivals and 15 departures, of which four and seven were British, leaving 55 vessels in port, British 18. Freighters were again low, with 13 inward of which four were of four figures and eight throughs, of which only two were of four figures. The total of British cargoes under both headings was less than 4,000 tons, with Japanese, recording the high registries and one American entering in ballast.

**LONDON-BRIGHTON  
SPEEDWAY.****COUNCIL APPROVES £3,000,000  
MOTOR ROAD.****WONDERFUL PROJECT.**

London, Oct. 24. The Brighton Town Council has signified its approval of the proposal to construct a motor road speedway between London and Brighton.

All that is necessary before construction can begin is that a special Bill be passed by Parliament and the necessary financial arrangements be made. The cost is estimated at £3,000,000.

The object of the road is to provide direct access for the enormous traffic now passing between London and Brighton. The road is only for motor traffic, all of which will be required to pay a toll fee of varying amount. Small motor cars, for instance, will be asked to pay about 4½d. for the whole journey.

For motor omnibuses, eighteen stops will be provided, and there will be overhead footbridges for the use of inhabitants from adjoining villages who may wish to join them.

The illumination of the road by night is to be carried out by 25,000 coloured reflectors, which are to be set up at intervals of fifteen yards. If and when completed, the road will be without parallel in Europe.—*British Wireless.*

**FOR THE POOR.****ST. VINCENT DE PAUL  
SOCIETY BAZAAR.**

The first meeting of the 1928 Bazaar Committee of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul was held yesterday. It was decided to hold the 1928 bazaar on the 9th December, and the preliminary arrangements are already well in hand. "Rose Day" (street sale of roses in aid of the Society's funds) will be on Saturday 1st December.

Tickets (\$3 each) for the annual Motor Car Draw are already on sale. The first prize is a 5-seater 4-door Pontiac Six Sedan de luxe.

The Committee have a large responsibility placed on their shoulders. The expenditure of the Society on relief to the poor and on the education of the children of the poor now amounts to about \$1,500 a month. A report will shortly be issued on the work of the Society during the past year, and it is hoped that, with this account of the year's valuable but unostentatious work of the Society before them, the generous public of Hongkong will again extend to the 1928 bazaar that whole-hearted support which has resulted in the success of the Society's annual bazaar in recent years, and has enabled the Society considerably to extend the scope of its beneficial activities among Hongkong's poor.

**ROB'S HIS FELLOW  
EMPLOYEES.****COOLIE CAUGHT AFTER THE  
THEFT.**

Giving the excuse that he was about to leave the service of his employers, a coolie employed by Messrs. R. Corney & Company was given the key to the *foki*'s quarters, in order that he might collect his belongings.

Instead of doing so, however, the man stole money and clothing of other *fokis* belonging to the firm. He was traced and arrested yesterday and appeared before Mr. R. E. Lindell this morning, on three charges of theft.

His Worship imposed sentences of six weeks on each charge, stating that they were to run concurrently.

**IN MEMORY OF DR.  
SUN YAT-SEN.****MEETINGS TO BE HELD NEXT  
MONTH.**

Shanghai, Oct. 24. The Propaganda Department of the Central Kuomintang Department, Nanking, has announced that commemorative ceremonial meetings should be held among the followers of the Kuomintang cause all over the country on November 12th this being the anniversary of the birth of the late Dr. Sun Yat-sen.

The s.s. Davitken was docked at Tai Po this morning for overhaul and refit.

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